

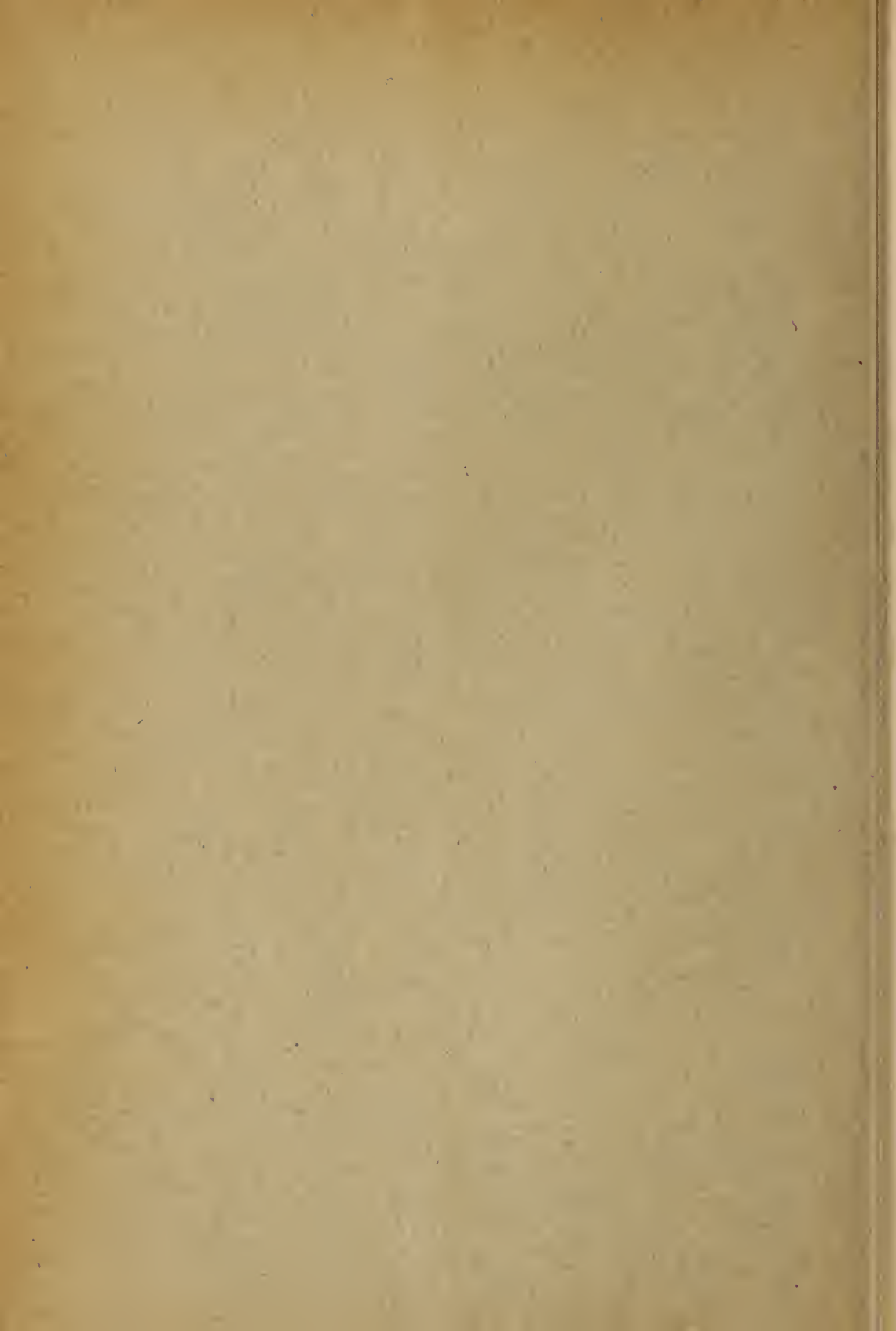
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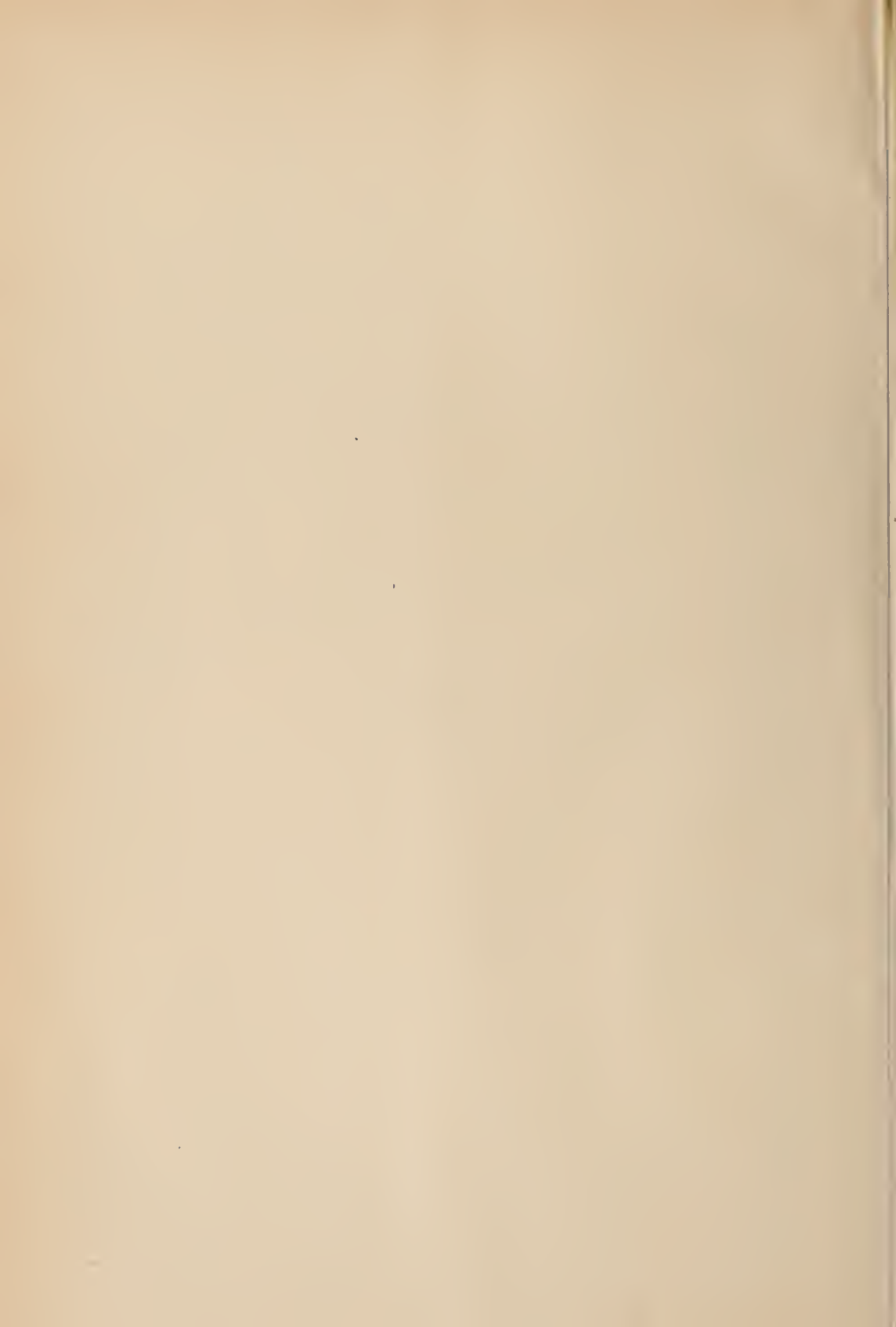
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OUR roll-call of "Missionaries Taken Home in 1907" was sent out last month hoping it might stand a completed record, and yet with a haunting fear. A cable message has since added to that list another honored name—Mrs. Henry Jessup *née* Lockwood, daughter of the long-time pastor of First Church, Binghamton, N. Y. Mrs. Jessup has lived in Syria twenty-three years; her hospitality, her music, her open hand, were a part of the mission atmosphere in Beirut. She loved the land and its people. We have heard of her line of poor women, her Helping Hand, her Temperance Society; we have seen the Reading Room, one of her benefactions to the city. During the Annual Meeting, which occurred the week before her death, she attended its sessions regularly, entertained every member of the Mission at her table, presided at the Women's Meeting and went to a committee meeting on the day of adjournment, Dec. 12. She was ill five days. On the 18th, they had family prayers with her at 8 P. M. At 10, she asked for prayer and, surrounded by a group of nearest friends, Dr. Jessup offered prayer, closing with "Now I lay me down to sleep," in which her voice was clear to the end. Then she said good-night, and never spoke again. She was laid in the sacred "God's Acre" on the afternoon of the 19th. Her loss, if keenest felt in her own home, is scarcely less to the family in Binghamton; and a wide circle of friends share in the loss and extend their sympathy to these families and to Syria Mission.

THE Committee in charge of this magazine has generously allowed four extra pages to "China Number." With one hundred and forty-eight women in China missions, to say nothing of the brethren, how can justice be done to their work in any one month? We must hear from them all through the year.

THE air of the Board Rooms at "156

Fifth Ave." is thick with requests for money from almost every mission and for every variety of need, general and personal; and this in a year of financial stringency, and with an enlarged sum to be raised. To meet the appropriations for this year, the amount required Jan. 14-April 30 is \$846,030.80. Last month there was a moderate increase of income, all around, except in legacies. It does not look as if the Church intends to lay off its sacrificing on the missions and we believe the Woman's Boards will not do that. They know the good tillage which God has blessed.

GIFTS have been made, in recent months, for:

Further equipment of Union Theological Seminary, Peking, \$10,000; by Mr. Morris K. Jesup.

Additional land for Theological Seminary, Peking, \$4,000; by Mr. L. H. Severance.

Girls' School, Changteh, Hunan, \$4,000; a last special gift from "Cumberland Woman's Board."

Residences at Chenchow, Hunan, \$4,127.04; by Mr. John H. Converse.

Hospital land, Chenchow, \$200; by Rev. J. W. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Allen, Warren, Pa.

Anglo-Chinese Girls' School, Ningpo, \$3,000; through Woman's Board, Philadelphia.

Theological Seminary, Nanking, \$3,000; by Mr. W. J. McCahan, Philadelphia.

Removal of Boys' School to new location, Soochow, \$2,000; by Mr. Nathaniel Tooker.

Residence at Yü-yiao, \$1,400; through Mrs. Wm. T. Morrison, New York.

Church building, Yeung Kong, \$550; by Second Church, Germantown, Pa.

THE English language has taken precedence of all other foreign tongues in China, and there is a universal and urgent demand for it.

SUNDAY is usually a holiday in government schools in China, and the baseball game comes Saturday afternoon at the ports.

WHILE hitherto the name "China" has never been used by the Chinese people, Dr. Arthur Smith says they are now introducing it *via* Japan as Chih-na.

FEDERATION of all Presbyterian missions in China is assured.

THE Foreign Missions of our Church seem able to co-operate or combine with almost anybody who is doing good work. In China they join hands with Congregational missions in Chihli Province, with Baptists in Shantung, with Southern Presbyterians in Cheh-kiang, and now they are talking about union with Methodists in Nanking University; the Tsinanfu brethren already unite with Methodists at Tai-an, in holding classes.

AN event, last year, at Tsinanfu, was the organization of a union church composed of members from the English Baptist and American Presbyterian Missions. Two Chinese elders were elected: a Baptist evangelist and a leading Presbyterian of thirty years' standing.

TWO new churches were organized in Wei-hsien field, making twenty-three in all with a membership of 4,500. The territory covered is about the size of Connecticut.

FORTY students in Hangchow College have expressed their desire to study for the ministry. If, as Central China Mission proposes, the schools for boys at Ningpo and Soochow are consolidated with this college, the student body, already numbering 140, will become strong enough to supply many other lacks besides preachers.

THE London *Chronicle* mentions a novel ceremony witnessed at Hangchow, a few months ago. "Opium pipes and trays collected from the closed opium dens were built up into two big pyramids on a spur of the City Hill, and burned in the presence of a great concourse of people."

IN the province of Kan-su, foot-binding has been carried to such an extent that there are women who can walk only on their knees. Some other provinces are so far advanced that in them it is believed this generation is the last to go bound-footed. In some places women of seventy are unbinding.

PROGRESS in Scotland as well as China! The medieval title of a publication, "News of Female Missions," has at last been abandoned and *News of Women's Missions* substituted.

SCHOOLS have opened again and are full to overflowing.—*W. O. Elterich*, Chefoo, Sept., 1907.

GIRLS of the advanced School have been pleading for months for music lessons and are beginning to buy themselves organs.—*Miss Snook*, Pyeng Yang, Korea.

A MOTOR boat for the Yalu River is the latest acquisition of Syen Chun Station. Eui Ju, a city of much importance to Korea Mission, is on this river. Friends of Rev. Herbert Blair in Tenth Street Sunday-school, Phila., and in Moosic, Pa., have given this valuable boat.

A SCHOOL for little girls near East Gate, Seoul, is mentioned by Mrs. E. H. Miller: "Last spring, the church people raised about one hundred *yen* and repaired an old Korean building. They took great interest in this, several fathers of the children coming and working with the coolies. They graded the yard for a playground and made the old house over into one of the cleanest and prettiest. There are thirty-six little girls, all from Christian homes."

REV. S. M. JORDAN, Persia, reports the triumphant issue of the American School at Teheran from the strike of last April, when, influenced by the prevailing political movement, about a hundred Mohammedan students went out. The larger part of them soon recognized their mistake and begged permission to return. Of those who were active in the strike, and consequently were listed as not permitted to return, nearly all have now applied to Mr. Jordan to take them back. The Sayid leader in the affair implored: "And suppose I have offended. Is it not the part of greatness to forgive the erring? I cast myself at your feet for mercy," and he proceeded to swear by all above and below that if readmitted he would "never transgress school rules to the extent of a camel's hair." The new school which these patriots started and named "Eternal Unity" has collapsed in discord and the teacher who went over to it is now writing: "Curses upon those persons who stirred up trouble in your most excellent school!" and intimates his readiness to accept any "commands."

Our Missionaries in China

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* Not in formal connection with Women's Boards. † Formerly Cumberland Church.

For information concerning other Societies working in this field consult Dr. Dennis' *Centennial Survey* and Beach's *Atlas of Protestant Missions*.

MRS. C. N. THORPE, President of the Woman's Board (Philadelphia headquarters), wrote from AGRA, INDIA, where she was *en route* for home, Dec. 2, 1907:

"Missions in China and Japan were inspiring. What noble women we have in this work! The Church does not realize what they are in themselves or what they are accomplishing. If I can help to make the church women at home know what the missionaries are, I shall be glad I endured seasickness, chairs on which I could neither touch floor nor back, closet hooks I could not reach, and one towel for three days at best hotels."

Reform in China During 1907

During the past year the course of events in China has been more in the line of developing and strengthening measures of reform already determined upon, than in the direction of introducing new ideas. This seems eminently wise, for so many reforms have been inaugurated within a few years, that officials and people need time to adjust themselves to the new conditions and to set the new machinery in motion.

Perhaps the most striking fact in the year's record is the serious attempt which

is being made to abolish, as far as possible, the distinction between Manchus and Chinese; that is, the difference in dress, in social status and official standing between the ruling caste and the subject Chinese. Some time since, the Empress Dowager issued a decree allowing the intermarriage of Chinese and Manchus, hoping thereby to consolidate the two races. Later, at a meeting held in Peking of members of the Grand Council and Presidents of the Ministries of State, ten resolutions were adopted to



THE EMPRESS DOWAGER OF CHINA AND HER LADIES.

From photograph loaned by Mr. Wm. Henry Grant.

be submitted to the throne, of which the following were the most important:

- 1.—Abolition of useless Manchu garrisons throughout China Proper.
- 2.—Appointment of both Manchu and Chinese to all posts throughout the Empire, without favor.
- 3.—Alteration of dress by Manchu women and girls, as far as possible.
- 4.—To allow Manchus to become merchants and do business in the same way as Chinese, so that they may support themselves and their families without depending upon their military pay, which will be gradually abolished during the next ten years.
- 5.—To encourage intermarriage between Manchu and Chinese officials.
- 6.—To enlist both Manchus and Chinese for military service hereafter, without distinction.
- 7.—To inflict severe penalties upon Manchu or Chinese authorities who attempt to create barriers between the two races.

Most, if not all, of these recommendations have since been embodied in Imperial decrees and thus become the law of the land. In adopting these measures, no doubt the Manchu Government is largely influenced by selfish motives, as the spirit of revolution is strong among the young men of China, especially among those who have been in Japan, and there is a rather widespread wish to get rid of the Manchus and have a government solely Chinese.

The movement against opium smoking

seems to be progressing favorably. Nearly every report from outlying cities gives encouraging news of the reform, while in the province of Chihli, under the efficient supervision of Yuan Shih-Kai, the evil has been greatly lessened and bids fair to be stamped out in the near future. It would be amusing, were it not pathetic, to see the efforts which the Empress Dowager is making to persuade her officials in Peking to drop this pernicious habit. She first issued orders that they were allowed six months to cure themselves, even granting them leave of absence from official duties if necessary. At the end of this time, she was so pained to see that some of them had not yet been able to leave off opium that she granted them three months more of grace, threatening them with loss of office if they failed again.

The movement toward eventual representative government goes steadily forward. A new commission has been appointed to visit foreign countries and study their systems of government, and report to the throne; a sort of object lesson in self-government is now being taught in Tientsin, having been inaugurated by Yuan Shih-Kai while Viceroy of Chihli, before his promotion to the

Grand Council in Peking. Finally, the Empress Dowager has issued an edict ordering that suitable preparations be made, in the way of preliminary education, for the adoption of representative government at as early a date as may be feasible. The following is an extract from this decree:

"We command the Ministry of the Interior to draw up the scheme of local self-government for the Empire, and, having obtained our sanction, to have this scheme promulgated by Imperial Rescript for the information of the whole country. The Viceroys and Governors of provinces will then be commanded to select the places where self-government is to be first tentatively tried."

Preparatory to the introduction of the above scheme, the court in Peking is taking great interest in the development of the new educational system of the country on Western lines, as is shown by the following extract from a recent decree, the same from which I have just quoted:

"We hereby command the Ministry of Education to draw up a scheme of universal education throughout the Empire and of the books that are to be studied in the schools thereof."

It is of course well known that Chinese authorities are having a great deal of trouble with students in government schools, through insubordination and lack of self-control; especially has this been true with the fifteen or twenty thousand students studying in Japan. Nevertheless, the new system of education has come to stay, and undoubtedly will be developed finally into a coherent system of graded instruction, comparable with the excellent series of schools and colleges to be found in Japan.

Finally, in its relations with foreign missionaries the central government is showing itself more and more anxious to avoid all just cause of complaint, and to treat all its subjects, both Christian and non-Christian, with even justice.

James Boyd Neal.

HAVERFORD, Dec. 14, 1907.

GIRLS IN CANTON CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

From a letter by Mrs. McCracken, wife of Prof. McCracken of the Medical College.

There are seven girls in the Christian College now, as nice as they can be. The faculty want me to take charge of their physical training, or what might better be called daily exercise. That branch of education is almost unknown in China. I am glad to have a chance to give out some of my four years' work, while it is fresh in my own mind.

From the handsome illustrated book (paper covers) issued by the College Directors at New Year's:

For several years a few girls, relatives of the Chinese teachers, have been admitted to preparatory classes of the College with good results. Their records have been equal to, or better than, that of the boys. Provision should be made for a woman's department, with its own dormitories and classrooms, but availing of laboratories and special courses of other departments. The first needs of the preparatory school for girls are a building and two American women teachers.

So eager are Chinese girls for an education that some of them have gone to government schools in Canton disguised as boys; others have studied under special tutors to their own undoing.



MRS. WISNER AND THE SEVEN COLLEGE GIRLS.

All from Christian families and living in the home of the head Chinese professor and his wife.

WHAT MRS. A. P. LOWRIE THOUGHT OF THE MISSIONARY LIFE

A few weeks ago she talked about the comforts missionaries have in China and said, "I do not see that any millionaire at home has any more comforts than I have." She meant every word of it. Just the day before I left, she remarked to Dr. Beattie: "I always feel there is a great deal of sympathy wasted on us missionaries. No one can have a happier life than we have;" and her eyes filled as she went on in that earnest way of hers, dwelling on the causes we have for happiness and thankfulness.

Janet McKillican.

Missionary Mothers

After a year spent in China, in which I had the pleasure of being an inmate in several missionary homes, I want to put in a plea for missionary wives and mothers. They are doing a splendid work, in some ways as important as that of

children the risks are even greater, for the nurses tell them things no child should know, and use bad language with them, which perhaps the parents cannot forbid because such expressions are not in their vocabulary and their meaning is

not understood. Missionary mothers feel that they cannot leave their little ones a moment alone with the heathen, and they take turns in looking after all the missionary children of a station, while one of their number goes out to work among Chinese women. The ladies at Hwai-Yuen often speak to seventy Chinese women with their own little ones clinging to their gowns, which adds much to the strain of such an effort.



MISSION RESIDENCES AT HWAI-YUEN, CHINA.

Rev. E. C. Lobenstine's in the right distance; Dr. Samuel Cochran's on the left.

their husbands, but it is done often under great stress of apparently conflicting duties. Mothers at home know how exacting are the demands on those who care for little people—line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a great deal. But in China it is almost impossible for a mother to delegate many of her cares to a Chinese nurse, whose one idea is to give the child its own way. "You should not have given him that dangerous thing to play with." To this the all-sufficient answer is: "But he wanted it."

One day as we sat at breakfast, the screams of a dear year-old baby caused us to suddenly rush out. We found that the top of his middle finger had been cut clean off. It was undoubtedly an accident, but we never could discover how it was done. The same little fellow was seriously ill for days because the *amah* fed him with leeks. With older

In spite of all obstacles, the ladies manage to do a great amount of earnest work among the Chinese women and children. Besides the direct work of evangelization, missionary homes are a wonderful power for good. The little children who are *not* allowed their own way when it is a wrong way, but are obedient and tractable and growing up in the love of God, show the Chinese a better way. In one family I visited, the cook and his wife were brought up among Christians and their home, though humble, is clean and well ordered and would be an example to ladies of the yamen. The husband loves, and is proud of, his bright, capable little wife and she brings up her children beautifully. The baby girl has her daily bath, as carefully as the baby in the missionary home, and is loved just as much as her brothers, and her feet will never be bound.

To another missionary lady whom I

visited, there came a young Chinese, a Harvard graduate, whose baby daughter was very ill, to ask if he could borrow Dr. Holt's book on the management of infancy; he said his wife did not know how to treat her sick child. Such lessons may be regarded as by-products of missions.

Last winter three little baby girls were found on the hillside back of the mission home where we were staying, and were rescued by one of the ladies. She was almost afraid to take in the first baby, lest she should be suspected of wanting its eyes for medicine, but as she passed through the streets with the little creature in her arms wrapped up in a bit of sacking, the neighbors seemed to understand and one after another said, "You are doing a good work." The poor baby was so chilled that she died that night. The bystanders said to the missionary: "Don't hold it in your arms; it is dying. You will be holding your own baby next." But the little one died in those loving arms and, to the surprise of all the Chinese, was laid in a neat box and buried reverently. Was not this an object lesson—this forlorn little one—not thrown into the baby tower as in former days would have been done, nor as in these days, thrown to the dogs, like so

many whose skeletons lay before our eyes on the hillside, but treated like a human being?



BABY TOWER AT HWAI-YUEN.

The leaven is working, the leaven which a *woman* took and hid in three measures of meal till the whole was leavened.
Annie C. Cochran.

Pen Portraits from Peking

"I came from the meeting, not more exhausted but refreshed, and strengthened physically as well as spiritually." How many at home could say that, after leading a prayer-meeting in midsummer with the thermometer climbing towards 110°? Yet this is what Mrs. Whiting wrote to me from Peking last summer, and, recalling the women who were probably present at the meeting, I could well believe what she said. Shall I picture, for you, some of them as they rise one by one before my mind?

In front, presiding at the small organ sent by the First Church of Montclair, N. J., is the consecrated and efficient Bible woman, Mrs. Ma. Educated in the girls' boarding-school under Miss Newton's wise care, widowed during the Boxer summer, her two children taken from her the next fall by scarlet fever, she now gives her whole heart and strength to her Christian work. Her

sound judgment, good common sense and deep spirituality would make her a superior woman in any country, and when she leads in prayer, it is to enter into the very presence of the King whom she serves. On days when she is at home, her little room is full from morning till night of those who come to study, or seeking counsel and help, and none are turned empty away.

Next, there is Mrs. Lien,* the hospital Bible woman, "full of faith and good works." Only a few years ago she was an opium taker, her clothes and household furniture pawned to supply her with the awful drug, herself and her child sunk to the lowest depths of poverty and distress. A friend persuaded her to go to Dr. Eliza Leonard's hospital and take the opium cure. She found more than she sought and went away

* See mention by Dr. Leonard, *WOMAN'S WORK*, February, 1906.

cured body and soul, her heart filled with a burning desire to share with others the Saviour she had found. After some months she came back asking for a place where she could earn her living and study at the same time. Every spare moment she labored patiently over those intricate Chinese characters and drank in every word that she could hear of Bible teaching. It is no easy task for a Chinese woman of over forty years to learn to read, but for the love she bore to Christ Mrs. Lien worked and won. To-day she can read most of the New Testament and "Pilgrim's Progress" and lead a prayer-meeting with great dignity and helpfulness. Her knowledge of life has given her an insight into, and apprehension of, spiritual truths beyond that of most of the women, and her childlike faith and obedience is an inspiration to missionary and Chinese alike. Her great desire now is to win those who, as once she was, are bound by terrible chains of the opium habit, and she dares anything to rescue one such.

Beyond her in the meeting sits Mrs. Wang who, when a girl, was dismissed from boarding-school because of her lawlessness. Now she is the interested and faithful teacher of the girls' day-school. It was with misgiving and only because there was no one else available that, three years ago, she with her hasty temper and weak Christian character was placed in charge of the school. However, the position of trust seemed to call out all that was best in Mrs. Wang. She studied in order to teach, she curbed her own temper in order better to control her pupils and, best of all, she cultivated fellowship with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ that she might lead her girls to know Him. A year ago when her husband was gradu-

ating from college and she feared he might be tempted to accept a position outside the mission, because of the larger salary, she pleaded with him earnestly not to yield to such inducements. He, like most Chinese men, resented his wife's interference and she had no recourse left but prayer. One day she came across the verse: "Seekest thou great things for thyself? Seek them not." With a prayer that it might touch her husband's heart, she wrote him a brief letter and sent the verse. It reached him on a day of great heart-searching among Tungchou College students, and proved to be God's message. He gave himself anew to God that day and wrote thanking his wife for her prayers. I shall not soon forget her face, shining with joy, as she told the good news in prayer-meeting the next Friday morning.

Then there is old Mrs. Tien, so ignorant that she cannot read the same sentence alike twice in succession but who stands up and says, "My heart and body all belong to the Lord"; and old Mrs. Wang, poor in this world's goods but rich in good cheer and gratitude for "all my mercies." There is a tall Manchurian woman, Miss Li*; she is rejoicing that her old mother has at last withdrawn her refusal to allow her son and daughter to unite with the church. Miss Li says, "Tell everybody that I am a Christian."

I could go on naming one and another of forty or more women who gather each Friday morning, some of them weak, some erring, but most of whom have grown "from character to character" during the last few years, so that to lead them in a meeting for prayer is indeed to rest one spiritually, if not always physically. To know them is, for all of us, to "thank God and take courage."

Alice Carter Gleysteen.

* See "Letters" in WOMAN'S WORK, August, 1906.

A New Year's Reception at Ichowfu

Come with me into the guest-room this afternoon, and we will prepare to receive the two hundred or more callers who will soon arrive. The rug has been taken up and chairs and divans are crowded against the wall in order to accommodate as many people as possible. Servants are bringing in big plates of cake and arranging teacups on the table—

twenty, thirty, forty; yes, that will do, for we have no more, and, as our guests are not the least bit fastidious, these can be used over and over again.

Chen Da Sao (Big Sister Chen) announces the first arrivals. We put our hands together, finger to finger, and shake them amiably at each feminine figure as she emerges through the door—

way, the entrance being effected with more or less difficulty according to the number of wadded garments and lively children adhering to each person. That old, old lady with the dark brown wrinkled face and two or three remaining teeth is a great-grandmother; the middle-aged woman by her side is her daughter-in-law, and those two younger women, one of them fairly good-looking, are daughters-in-law of the grandmother's daughter-in-law. Chinese relationships are confusing to a beginner! Those seven little children belong to the family, but we cannot attempt to sort them out now. Indeed,

while we are determining who these people are and whence they come, the room is filling up with others, all crying in shrill voices, "Sit down, sit down, sit down!" We turn from one to another, shaking our own hands and wishing them much joy in the new year or inquiring whether the last year was prosperous. Cake and tea are finally served to all and accepted eagerly by some, but at the same time with polite protestations.

Now fifty or sixty curious pairs of eyes are fastened upon our face, hair, clothing and last, by no means least, our feet. "Very large," says one woman with a nod to her neighbor, and looking complacently at her own meagre stubs.

On the right is a bright-faced, clean, intelligent looking woman. She has only two children, apparently, and the baby is asleep, so one may venture to address her. Being but a one-year-old missionary, my conversation is necessarily limited to the customary common-places.

"What is your honorable name?"

"My name is Chang." We might have guessed it was one out of a certain ten, though the Chinese claim to have a hundred surnames.

"Where do you live?"

"I live in the south suburb."

"What is your great age?"

"Thirty or more years."

"Are your parents still living?"

"My father is living, but my mother is dead."

"How many children have you?"

"Two sons and three slaves (girls)."

While one is wondering if it is safe to ask what her husband does to "get over the days," a loud crash is heard in another part of the room. A little boy has spilled his tea on the floor and one of his numerous relatives is soundly berating him. We hasten to assure



SOME CHRISTIAN WOMEN AT ICHOWFU.

them that it makes not the least difference, while the servant wipes up the floor with the look of placid resignation which he constantly wears these days. And indeed, it does not make any difference, for by this time the floor is adorned from end to end with tea, mud and cake

crumbs. Not that the people are rude; their manners indicate only that they have mud floors in their houses and use them as garbage receptacles.

"Let us go, let us go," pipes an old woman in a high key; so all with one accord take up the tune and file out of the door, shaking their hands at us and saying they have made us a great deal of trouble, which charge we enthusiastically deny.

There is now a slight breathing spell; we replenish the tea and cake supply and add a few benches to our seating capacity, just in time for the next crowd who all go through the same performance as before. Many have never been in a foreign house and stare with wide eyes at furniture and pictures, making frank comments all the while. These feel the material of our dresses and remark on the color of our hands and faces.

Mrs. Chang, the elderly Christian woman who helps us receive, seizes an op-

portunity to tell the people why we foreigners live here, and to explain a little of the doctrine. "This," she says "is China's great Sabbath. It comes but once a year and then you rest a few days and have leisure time. But Christians take one day in every seven in which to rest and worship God." Some of the faces look perfectly blank. "How could you possibly get over the days and have enough to eat and wear, if you rest as often as that?" Then Mrs. Chang goes on to say that we must provide not only for the body but also for the soul; for the soul is eternal. Then follows the simple gospel; and the good woman concludes by telling them they must not only come at New Year's time to see the

foreigner and eat cake, but also to the church to worship and to learn the doctrine. The speaker is often interrupted by the arrival of new guests, but she takes up the thread of her story where she left it.

Thus the afternoon wears on with the constant going and coming of many feet. Four o'clock strikes; the last stragglers depart and the deluge is over. Servants enter with brooms and pails to clear up the débris, while we flee for refuge to our rooms, the high, shrill voices of the women still sounding in our ears; yet feeling glad, withal, that a little seed has been sown which may bear fruit in unexpected quarters.

Nellie C. Fouts.

One of the Staff of True Light Seminary, Canton

This school has rounded out thirty-five years of great usefulness.

The Chinese principal in charge of the department for training teachers and Bible women is Mrs. Loh, one of the finest products of the Seminary and among the ablest Christian women in Canton. When *Miss Harriet Noyes* was last in America, she spoke of this friend and associate of many years as follows:

One of my first remembrances of her is of a little girl, only nine years old, standing beside her dying father and whispering to him words of comfort. In less than two years, her mother also was laid to rest and she was left orphaned with the care of a younger brother. After several years of study in the Seminary, she was happily married to a young man who was preparing to be a missionary among his own people. But, yet again, this young girl was bereaved and left a widow with one little daughter of much promise. Her daughter has the unusual inheritance of a Christian ancestry through several generations. So far as I have been able to ascertain, she is the first Protestant Christian in China of the fifth generation.

Mrs. Loh has a beautiful voice for singing, one very uncommon in China. We have sometimes felt regret that she could not have thorough voice culture, but her position as teacher has been far more influential than that of a musician could be. She is an intelligent, earnest, consecrated Christian. It would be difficult to find in any land a teacher better fitted for her position, or more solicitous for the spiritual welfare of her pupils.

When the Second Presbyterian Church of Canton was discussing the question of calling a pastor, one of the elders said that he would rather listen to Mrs. Loh's sermons than to those of any one else.

One interesting incident showing this teacher's whole-hearted devotion to True Light Seminary was written out by *Miss Harriet Lewis*, as she was recently about returning to Canton, after furlough. She writes:

Mrs. Loh desired to have electricity put into the Seminary and, there being no funds for the purpose, she gave a whole year's salary to this end. The electric company, hearing of her self-denial, installed the plant at a reduced rate. It was then decided that each pupil should pay a small monthly amount for the use of electric lights, and to this no objection was raised.

Mrs. Loh has felt the importance of trying to turn the desire of Chinese Christian women for "new" things into the right channel, and at her request a woman's meeting was appointed in Second Church. The day proved inauspicious, a regular downpour of rain that would have been fatal to a meeting in America.* How many Chinese women were interested enough to brave the elements that day, do you think? Eight hundred! They listened eagerly for three hours.

* Our friend does not know the fibre of missionary meetings in America. Scores of good meetings are held every year in the midst of "downpours," and there are Woman's Boards on record which were founded in the teeth of a snowstorm or torrents of rain.—EDITOR.

Weih sien Girls' High School, 1907



GRADUATING CLASS—From photograph kindly sent by Mrs. Chas. K. Roys.

MRS. FRANK CHALFANT reports sixty girls on the roll, and the largest graduating class since the school was opened. She writes: "To graduate thirteen girls ready and willing to take up teaching was a red letter day to me. Finding it difficult to keep up the supply of teachers for primary schools, I have added a new clause in the contract between the school and the parents, to the effect that after graduation the pupil gives two years' service in teaching, before marriage. Both parents and girls express satisfaction. The girls pay about \$600 and are not able to do more. This was about one-third the cost of running expenses last year, but it will not do it this year. It would upset our work greatly to close the school."

MRS. C. W. MATEER writes of the same class at their graduation: "The self-possession and womanliness with which the girls bore themselves was beyond praise. They were a fine set of girls and will do a noble work that no one else can do. They deserved their diplomas."

Commencement exercises were held in the evening in the church, which was crowded with an entirely Christian audience, including students of Shantung College, pastors, teachers and other men of the city. Mrs. Mateer

says: "Of course the girls came in by a different entrance, in a body, well chaperoned in front and behind; and of course there was no throwing of bouquets or Senior Reception. We women folks went up after all was over and congratulated the seniors. The physical exercise drill was not public, but took place in the girls' court in the morning. The only guests were foreign women and Chinese women of station class, who were brought in to see the advantages of unbound feet. They were much impressed with the freedom of motion, and it was worth a dozen sermons on the subject.

"The character of those who have built up this school has made a permanent impress upon it. The school is excellent; words fail me to tell what it means to Christian homes of the future. Yet, at a recent station meeting the question was: Should the girls be sent home; or should we run into debt? We are told the appropriation must not be enlarged; but there is no Board to regulate the price of grain. We come to Thanksgiving Day with sad hearts, wondering whether some kind wind of Providence will send our ship to save the school, as in Pilgrim days the colony was saved from starving."

The girls in this High School gave out of their own meager pocket money twelve dollars last year for the famine fund in Central China. Eighteen years ago our first school-girls unbound. At winter examinations (1907) of the country schools, only three out of more than 130 still have small feet.—Letter from MRS. R. M. MATEER.

Yih sien Station in Trouble

This station in West Shantung was occupied a year ago. In "a sunny, peaceful spot" in a corner of the mission premises, which Rev. Wallace Faris purchased last March, lies now the grave of this noble missionary. To be true to itself, should not the Church be true to his memory and, by firmly equipping this station, lay hold of Yih sien and claim it for Christ?—EDITOR.

Yih sien city is beautifully located. The eternal hills rise in bare and rugged grandeur on all sides except the south, where fields and orchards stretch away to the Grand Canal, twenty miles distant; a narrow river skirts the city wall.

The reception accorded us by Yih sien people exceeded even our fondest hopes. Their attitude was extremely cordial, high and low alike manifesting a kindly interest in us. We have established most friendly relations with our neighbors, with some of the city gentry (councilmen), and with influential business men.

Religious services are well attended; on many Sundays the capacity of the little room used as a chapel is taxed to the utmost. A number of women have been studying since last February. Among them are several above the average in intelligence, who now read the gospel with comparative ease, although, when they began, they did not know one character. While learning to read, they have also had first experiences of Christian living, and it has been gratifying to watch their spiritual development. One of these women, an interesting character, was formerly a professional gambler.

The sympathy of the Chinese, in the death of Mr. Faris, was touching and their grief at the loss of their friend was very sincere. Many artificial wreaths and other floral offerings were sent in, this being the only way the people knew to express their sympathy. To a Chinese family they would have sent money; this is the universal custom in our part of China. Many of the gentry and others came to do honor to Mr. Faris' memory, and followed him to his last resting-place. Since then the same friendly relationship has continued. On my weekly trips to the city chapel (we live in the south suburb, not in the city proper) I was greeted with smiles as I passed up

"I-hsien" we spelled it last year but now, under compulsion of German postal arrangements, the new form is adopted.

CHINESE PRAYING AT LIEN-CHOU.—Mrs. Robert Ross (*née* Read) was at death's door in Lien-chou, but, one writes: "The love and faithfulness of the Chinese was wonderful. They met in prayer every night and every breath was a prayer. Mrs. Edwards said: 'We prayed without faith, but the Chinese said, 'Our God will surely save the white lady.'" Mrs. Ross was much better when last heard from.

the street, and there were many invitations to come in and "sit a sit." When we were out walking, one evening, a woman was so persistent in her request that we go over to her village that we accompanied her home. Nearly the whole village turned out to see the foreigners and, though curious, the crowd was very friendly. Men talked to Mr. Yerkes while women clustered about Mrs. Yerkes, my sister and myself, and we talked till the gathering darkness warned us we must return. These instances of their cordiality show what an opportunity there is to proclaim the message of salvation among the nearly 2,000,000 people in Yih sien field.

It is sad indeed, when the door is so wide open, to be held back. The station has been seriously embarrassed during the past year for want of money to even carry on work already begun. We need a school for boys very much; the pupils are there *but no money*. We need a sub-station with a Chinese helper at Tinghsien, a city about seventy miles from Yih sien in the midst of a very populous region, *but there are no funds*. Four missionaries are living in Chinese houses of the low, one-story kind, made of mud and thatched with straw, where one room has to do duty for dining, living, study and reception rooms, *because funds for proper homes are not forthcoming*.

Our life in the new station has been a busy, happy one. Our sorrows have but bound us more closely in fellowship and love. The promise for this new station is very bright and we confidently believe that in His own time God will provide the means and workers to cultivate this needy field and that some day there will be a glorious harvest.

Ellen Asper Faris.

(Mrs. Wallace S.)

Needlework Class, Peking

Industrial work has taken most of my time this year, as last. Hundreds of yards of linen have been embroidered by poor girls who may never have worn a bit of embroidery themselves, but are thankful for the work which means to them food and clothing. Our aim has been to make it more than that,—to bring hope for the future life, as well as the present, into their hearts.

I have organized this work so that it may be carried on by native agencies during my absence. A very efficient helper has been found in Miss Li, who is capable of teaching her pupils to read as well as to sew. She buys her own materials, draws her own patterns, and brings me the finished work for sale. Her accounts are accurately kept, and a glance at my book shows that in nine months she brought me nine hundred dollars' worth of work, five hundred of which has been sent home for sale. We had more orders than we could fill, and I sent some of them to a Chinese Industrial School. There has been little expense in connection with the class, as the Li family own their house and have set aside two rooms for its use. For equipment we received contributions of two chairs, a few benches and a generous-sized teapot. The latter was greatly appreciated during the long, hot days of July. A kind friend also furnished two blackboards on which the daily Scripture texts and hymns are written.

At present there are twenty women and girls under Miss Li. They earn from seven to fifteen cents a day, which is more than they get in any Chinese school.

I am filled with gratitude when I remember that two years ago Miss Li was in the same darkness of mind and heart which envelops all Chinese women before the light of the gospel comes to them. Last year she was a worker in the industrial class and an inquirer. Now she is a member of church and brings her pupils to service.

In addition to what is done under Miss Li, I have personally given out orders to ten or more people who have been coming to me for several years. Large quantities of work have been sent to the Western Hills to have the cross-stitch done after girls here had finished the

hemstitching. Two men who distribute these orders say that about forty women and girls have had employment. I regret that they are too far away to receive any teaching. *Lucy J. Whiting.*

PERSONAL MENTION

REV. W. M. HAYES, D.D., of West Shantung Mission, seriously ill by last accounts.

REV. J. A. SILSBY of Central China is devoting his services to the Educational Association of China this year.

DR. MARY WEST NILES, in addition to her usual occupations, is understood to be erecting a house for the Blind School in Canton. Dr. Selden (another of his kindnesses) sold her a plot of land for the purpose, at a very low rate. It adjoins his own residence and those of the New Zealand Presbyterian Mission.

DR. JOHN ALLEN HOFMANN has been made Assistant in the Refuge for the Insane at Canton, his support being pledged by Dr. Chas. C. Selden, Superintendent of the Refuge, and his brother, Mr. Edward P. Selden of Erie, Pa.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Immanuel Church, Los Angeles, did a good thing when they sent their Yeung Kong missionary as their delegate to the great Shanghai Conference. It was after Miss WILCOX had enjoyed "being with so many of our people again" and felt the uplift which "made us all wish to go back to our stations with God's Spirit giving us power," that she wrote: only three of us here now, but I am so interested in my girls' school that I do not get lonely."

DR. W. F. SEYMOUR of Tengchow took a trip with Mr. Severance to Korea and looked over Severance Hospital and others. He has since utilized some of the old college rooms for a ward, got in thirteen beds and received 65 in-patients; treatments at dispensary and in out-practice, over 8,000. One of his immediate wants is a trained nurse.

REV. CHARLES CORBETT, son of Rev. Hunter Corbett, D.D., of Chefoo, has been appointed to Union College, Tung-chou, North China. Their recent China Deputation has recommended to the American Board the securing of \$200,000 endowment for this college.

REV. GEO. A. ARMSTRONG of Ichowfu and Rev. T. N. Thompson of Tsiningchow each devoted three months of last year to famine relief; a dozen of our missionaries lent a hand.

Sixteen unmarried men at the present moment in our China missions; we have confidence that the number will not always remain sixteen.

Another LABAREE boy, grandson of the original Labaree missionary, has been born in Urumia, Persia, and, what is more, the boy is a twin! Everybody welcomes ROBERT and ELIZABETH.

ROBERT P. WILDER is Traveling Secretary for the Student Volunteer Union of Great Britain and Ireland. During February he has appointments at Aberdeen, Glasgow, Dublin and other universities and, on these efforts, he craves the prayers of God's people.

In Three Out-Stations of Nanking

SING DIEN—About forty miles south of Nanking. Work four years old; 24 church members, about 50 inquirers; 13 baptized in 1907.

LIH SHUI—A walled town ten miles south of Sing Dien. Less than three years ago, there were half a dozen inquirers and a chapel; now 200 inquirers; 19 men have been baptized, 8 of them last year. Chapel walls have been twice torn down to enlarge; now the people will buy land and build a church.

TIEN WANG SI—A market town six miles north of Sing Dien. Chapel opened about two years ago, seats 160. Church members 17, of whom 10 received in 1907; inquirers, 200.—From Reports by REV. W. J. DRUMMOND.

We went to Tien Wang Si, where women had not yet gone. Of course our mere presence attracted a crowd, but when teaching and preaching began they were attentive. Miss Dresser will not allow talking or disorder, and it has a good effect. She told them that we had come on purpose for the women, but if the men would leave the seats to women and would listen quietly, they might stay, and stay they did. I suppose there were nearly two hundred people there each day. We stayed three days, then back to Sing Dien eight days.

We had Christmas exercises for a nearby Sunday-school at Shwan Tang. Girls from the school went over and sang, two of them also making short addresses, and Miss Dresser spoke. There was a crowd of women, no men allowed. The children received cards and candy done up in colored border handkerchiefs—the proper way to carry things in China. Afterwards we were all invited to tea by the church members. The Sunday-school was put under my charge but it is very different from a school at home, there are so many women from the outside who know nothing about keeping still or even sitting in one place. It took all my attention at times to keep order. Sometimes we would have forty or fifty women.

In March we went into the country again, all three of us. Miss Dresser thought it time for me to do something, so she sent me ahead to Sing Dien with old Chen Da Ma, while she and Miss Lucas stayed at Lih Shui. A few women came to me and I tried as well as my limited vocabulary would allow to teach them something, but I do not know how much they took in. I can only trust in God's Holy Spirit to make the truth clear to them.

The days at Tien Wang Si (a second visit) were full of blessing. People seemed hungry for the message Miss Dresser had for them. One old man who came every day had read the four Gospels and the Revelation. He was most interested in the description of the heavenly country, but at first repudiated the idea that there was any way for him to go there. I think Miss Dresser convinced him there was a way. He was a dear old man, so clean, with silver white hair, bent double and toothless, but child-like in his interest in Bible stories, which lived for him as I fear they do not for us—gospel-hardened people. The new chapel has been opened by the people themselves, and they are very proud of it, though it looks poor enough until one realizes the love that has gone into it.

Jane A. Hyde.

TIEN WANG SI, Nov. 4, 1907—In the country, a few days ago, as two Bible women and I were on our way to a certain village, we passed a large temple. Sitting outside the door I saw an old woman. She gave me a rather friendly look, so I went up and spoke, and in a short time she had told me a good deal about herself. I said: Do you believe in these idols and worship them? "No, I don't believe in them and I don't worship them. I believe in the one true God and His Son Jesus Christ." I said: How is it you are living here with the idols? She said: "We are too poor to pay rent and too old to work." Months before she had heard the gospel and believed it, although she had almost no instruction. I am afraid their poverty can be traced to opium. I had a good chance, right there in front of the idol, to preach Christ, for a crowd gathered and almost all seemed to wish to hear.

Ellen E. Dresser.

NANKING GIRLS' SCHOOL.—More pupils of the better class, a superior Chinese man teacher; the new Julia Turner Hall dedicated; "Mr. Severance made us happy by offering to furnish the kindergarten"; a total of over seventy pupils. "What a change," writes Mrs. Leaman, "since twenty-three years ago when I waited weeks for my first pupil."

SELF-SACRIFICE AT PAOTINGFU SCHOOL

One of the teachers, Mrs. Chang, had promised to take her little girl to Peking in vacation to visit her older sister; one can imagine the child's excitement at the prospect of her first railroad journey and first sight of wonderful Peking. A few days before vacation she came to her mother and said: "If you will send the money it would take for my railroad fare to Peking and back, to the famine sufferers, I'll stay in the school and you go alone." And the child cheerfully stayed two weeks with the school cook and two or three other children. Surely that was an "offering of a sweet smelling savor."

That reminds me of a little sacrifice on the part of the school as a whole. Sunday afternoon I had spoken of the famine but did not in any way suggest that the girls contribute. That evening a deputation came to my study saying that all the girls would like to give up white flour and meat until vacation and send the money saved to the famine sufferers. The time was about three weeks, the saving amounted to \$12.00 (Mex.) and I sent that sum, increased by \$16.00 from the teachers.

(From "Report.") *Grace Newton.*

EIGHT girls were graduated from this School in Paotingfu, last June.

APPREHENDED OF CHRIST THE SECOND TIME

The Conference held in Ningpo, for Christian workers, was rich in blessing to our Shanghai delegates and through them to our church. A red-letter day it was when two of the elders and a deacon gave accounts of it, unconsciously revealing how deeply it had moved them. Praise filled our hearts when the elder, whom for more than a year the church has wanted for pastor, told of the absolute consecration, cost what it might, which he had now made of himself to God's service. He has been known from boyhood and holds a fine position with a large publishing house. As a young man he prepared for the ministry but he had all along stilled his conscience with the plea that the church had not money to pay a living salary to preachers and, when he should have laid by enough so that he could preach without pay, he meant to do so. Now he had so seen the love of God that, if employer, friend and wife should try to hinder, he would obey the Lord, even if it brought him to the place where God found him—a waif with but one garment and a string to tie it on.

Emma Silver.

Our Hospitals for Women in China

From the Physicians' Reports, 1907.

Dow Hospital and Dispensary, Peking.

DR. ELIZA E. LEONARD in charge.
MISS JANET MCKILLICAN, nurse.

Many hospitals and dispensaries, under official patronage, have been opened in the city, and the people have flocked to them for treatment, which is entirely free; in too many cases, this is the highest recommendation that can be given the treatment. Our total numbers have consequently been reduced, while hopeless cases increased. Patients had one more stage to pass before coming to us, and the delay has meant everything to many of them. Our figures for the year are as follows:

Dispensary treatments.....	6,704
In-patients.....	62
Visits in homes.....	124
Total	6,890

Miss McKillican's return has been an inestimable boon. She had charge of evangelistic work, and gave valuable assistance in the operating and clinic room. We have had two Chinese assistant nurses, but neither belong to our

mission and, the coming year, they will be engaged elsewhere. There are now so many avenues open to young women that one must have a real love for it and be animated by the spirit of the Meek and Lowly One, in order to deliberately choose a nurse's calling and make a success of it. Our experience the past year has proved there are such young women in China. Practically none in North China, outside of a mission school, is fitted to attempt the life. Regular lectures have been given in the Training School, five nurses being in attendance. We plan to open Union Medical College for Women in February, 1908.

Hodge Memorial Hospital, Paotingfu.

DR. MAUD MACKEY in charge.

Dispensary patients have been from all classes—from wives and children of officials to beggars on the street. With few exceptions they are alike polite, respectful and grateful, for all that is done for them. City clinic has continued as usual, three days each week; clinic in

NORTH CHINA AND SHANTUNG MISSIONS—STATIONS UNDERLINED



John Bartholomew & Co., Edin.

SIANGTAN: A long, narrow city with extensive frontage on Siang River, which is so crowded with junks that the masts look like a pine forest; thirty miles above Changsha, the capital of Hunan.

YÜ-YIAO on canal route between Ningpo and Hangchow. An unusually large proportion of the population (about 50,000) belongs to old tribes, whose ancestral halls contain tablets of twenty-five or thirty generations of progenitors who have occupied this same locality for the last 800 000 years. In these registers may be found names of prime ministers, viceroys, generals and every grade of military and literary rank. . . . The new zeal for education has led the scholar class to urge the giving up of many expensive forms of idolatry in order to save money for the development of schools. As a result a hundred or more little mills for grinding incense are now standing idle near Yü-yiao city. Representatives from some leading families have openly identified themselves with the church.

hospital compound is open every day, except Sunday. The hospital patients have been of a very nice class of country people, some of them eager to learn all they could of the gospel and many willing to be taught.

Since Dr. Chas. Lewis went home, his sister, Dr. Elizabeth Lewis, and I have done much surgical work together, taking turns in being chief surgeon, anæsthetist or assistant. Paotingfu people seem especially willing to be operated upon. Their friends without question sign a paper stating that they will not make trouble in case of the death of the patient, and they often plead for operations though told they would be fatal. One of the hardest things I have to do is to try to convince parents that nothing can be done for their blind children. Some are brought a hundred miles.

After the men's hospital was closed, many pitiful cases came begging us for treatment. Several of them could not be refused. One man had a malignant disease of the hand; he had tried everything and, at last, sold some land to pay his expenses for the journey here. We had to take him in and amputate his arm. Another poor man came, almost exhausted. He could not hope to live without the amputation of his foot. It had taken him two months to get to Paotingfu; he had managed to hop and crawl all the way. Mr. Mather brought him in and provided food and bedding. He recovered and went away joyfully.

Patients try to give something to the hospital to show their gratitude for help. It is often hard to accept their gifts, because we know that the few copper cents they have hoarded and brought, wrapped in brown paper and tied with a red string, have probably been saved from needed food. They often send beautiful flowers. Eggs are brought by tens, twenties, sixties and hundreds, but one grateful father overwhelmed me this spring by bringing *one thousand* eggs, because I had operated on his little boy for hare-lip. A boy of fifteen had almost the entire lower jaw removed. They were poor people and could not give anything, so they wanted me to accept the boy himself, arguing that his life had been saved in the hospital, therefore it ought to be spent in service of the hospital.

Mrs. Sinclair and some other friends

provided funds for a new surgical ward. It will make room for about fifteen surgical patients. An upper story was added to accommodate nurses and provide private rooms for some of the more progressive and intelligent Chinese patients who would not object to a second story. The ordinary people are superstitious about living in an upper story.

This is the fourth year of Memorial Hospital. There were:

Dispensary patients	7,767
Hospital patients	242
Out-calls	90
Total	8,099
<i>Surgical Operations.</i>	
Under anæsthetic.....	47
Operations on eyelids under cocaine.....	56
Total	103

Women's Hospital and Dispensary, Weihshen.

DR. MARGARET HUGHES BYNON in charge.
Two Chinese women assistants.

We had but six hundred and fifty more patients than last year, though the hospital was closed only ten days, at Chinese New Year. I made one medical itinerating trip to An Chu city, where I saw a hundred patients in one day.

My summer was spent in Japan, my first holiday since coming to China, four years ago. During my absence, Dr. Chas. Roys kindly took charge of my foreign patients and supervision of native work. My helpers, Miss Chu and Miss Huang, 24 and 29 years of age, were most faithful in seeing daily clinic patients, attending house patients, out-calls, and doing some minor operations. Since my return I have gone over the daily records with them and it has been a pleasure to see their interest in each case. They certainly have shown themselves worthy of the trust I placed in them.

Statistics from Sept. 1, 1906—Aug. 31, 1907:

Dispensary visits	3,843
Hospital patients	89
Out-calls.....	48
Suicide cases	114
Total	4,094
Heard the gospel	4,390

Women's Hospital and Dispensary, Ichowfu.

This building, erected by the Southwest Board, is said to be "the finest in the province" for the purpose.

DR. EMMA E. FLEMING in charge.

Building the new Hospital has demanded my strength and time largely for the past six months. It was a tremendous responsibility, but the really handsome and substantial building which

now obscures my outlook makes me feel well repaid for my efforts. I am specially grateful to Dr. Johnson for kindly suggestion, and his experienced help in making contracts and dealing with Chinese workmen, during his busy weeks before leaving for America. I am also grateful that not a workman was injured. In spite of the confusion of building operations, I kept two rooms for in-patients, and had more critical cases than ever before in the same length of time. The statistical record is:

In patients.....	60
Out-calls.....	37
Country visits.....	60
Dispensary visits.....	5,360

Hunter Memorial Hospital, Tsiningchow.

CHAS. H. LYON, M.D., in charge.

Dispensary treatments.....	3,514
Out-calls.....	5
In-patients.....	86
Surgical operations.....	39

[It would appear that Chinese women will not so readily as the men consult a foreign medical man, for, against the figures above, Dr. Lyon gave over 15,000 treatments on the men's side and had 243 men patients in hospital.—EDITOR.]

Tooker Memorial Hospital, Soochow.

DR. FRANCES F. CATTELL in charge.

DR. E. ESTHER ANDERSON, newly arrived.

The sound of firecrackers announced the coming and going of the hospital doctors this year. Dr. Cattell returned after an absence of two years, and Dr. Fitch left to link her life and fortunes with those of another doctor and to always bear the name (Tooker) of the hospital she served so faithfully. Three months intervened between these two events, then Dr. Cattell was left alone in the compound. Every human prop seemed to be removed, so that the Lord Himself might show His strength.

In June Mrs. Arthur Smith spent a week with us, holding meetings twice a day. A blessing came to many of the hospital helpers, and old jealousies hidden in their hearts for months or years were confessed and put away.

Trips were made to Li-yang, including Changchow, and to Dzang-hyin. On the latter visit, Mrs. Li the Bible woman and Miss Li the druggist accompanied the physician. "The people were very friendly. We visited an old paralytic who was a patient on our first visit six years before, and went then to Soochow with us. She is much better now and able to use her arms, though her legs are still helpless. She has be-

come a Christian and goes to church every Sunday. When her husband is not working, he carries her on his back; when he cannot take her, she goes by herself, sitting on the ground and helping herself along by means of two pieces of bamboo, hollowed out in the middle and wrapped with cloth, which she uses in her hands, instead of putting them to the ground each time. It takes her an hour to get to church in this way, and the street children strike her as she goes along, but she does not mind. People say: "Oh, it is Sunday, here comes the paralytic!" So she bears her silent witness. When we visited her, a crowd gathered and, before them all, she recited a hymn and parts of the catechism. "Yes," she said, "the Lord has healed my sickness a half. It is He who sent the medicine that made me better." Her husband, who is not a Christian, asked, before we left: "Do paralytics live long?"

A man was brought to the boat, terribly burned. We went on shore and dressed his burns with an interested crowd of about two hundred watching us. The crowds do get on our nerves sometimes, but one of the best ways to break down prejudice is to let them watch and see just what one is doing. Next day a woman in the same condition was brought because this man was better. . . . It is easier to understand the life of our Lord on earth, when one is out among the people in this way. Many things are similar—the curious crowds, the hopeless cases, the misunderstanding of our motive in coming.

Statistics, Sept. 1, 1906—July 10, 1907.

Patients in Hospital, Sept. 1.....	1
Patients admitted since.....	107
Average stay of in-patients.....	23 days.
First visits to dispensary.....	3,031
Return visits.....	2,269
Sales of medicine at gate.....	2,214
Brothel girls seen in dispensary.....	88
Visits to foreigners.....	69
Out-practice visits to Chinese.....	118
Patients seen on itinerations.....	466
Days spent itinerating.....	21

David Gregg Hospital, Medical College for Women and Training School for Nurses, Canton.

DR. MARY H. FULTON in charge.

DR. ISABELLA LATIMER MACK, assistant.

MISS MARGARET STRATHIE, School for nurses.

No Report has been received.

Mr. L. H. Severance conferred a great benefit by completing a fine wall along the canal upon which the property faces.

Lien-chou and Yeung-kong.

No physicians, no reports, 1907.

LETTERS FROM MISSIONARIES

CHINA.

MRS. WM. D. NOYES (*née* Mary Stevenson) wrote from FATI, CANTON, Nov. 20, 1907, before the end of her first year in China:

It seems strange to be sending Christmas greetings in November and buying Christmas presents during hot October weather. However, I am learning to be surprised at nothing in the dirty, interesting East, but I am only learning by having experienced many strange things. I fear I

CAME OUT HERE WITH THE IDEA

that American women were superior to Chinese women in every way, but at every turn I am pleasantly surprised. Those in Canton dress much more modestly than we, in dark, neat clothes, carefully covering their necks and arms. I do not wonder they think foreign ladies, in their light, tight-fitting, short-sleeved gowns, are a bit immodest. There are of course many exceptions. The girls of to-day are making many mistakes in their painful

HASTE TO ADOPT WESTERN CUSTOMS.

They do not seem to know where to stop. I often feel ashamed when I look at their neat hair. I do not like to think of the oil with which they plaster it down, but I do like the effect. Not a lock is out of place—and look at heads of American girls! Yes, Chinese girls are lovely and one longs to help them advance in the right way. One girl, in whom I have been interested, married a worthless sort of a chap who was trying to work up a dental practice. After her marriage she seemed unhappy, and finally she begged me to support a school which she wanted to open in her nice, clean home. The station gave me permission to do this, and I have taken great pleasure in visiting it once a week. Her pupils are learning to read, write and sew; they are studying the Bible, catechism, arithmetic, and I try to teach them something of calisthenics. There are so many things to do out here, it is hard to decide what is one's duty. The school-boys are so anxious to play the organ that I have been teaching a half-dozen of them a little. A choir of eight boys come together twice a week and practice hymns and songs; every other week they sing something at church service, but I must say they would rather sing the Yale "Boola" song than anything else. I suppose you at home hear much the same story from each new missionary. The language is certainly as hard as claimed but I suppose one is to have patience extending over ten or fifteen years.

MRS. FARNHAM wrote from SHANGHAI, Nov. 4, 1907:

. . . We attended Presbytery three weeks ago in Soochow. The railroad has just been opened to that place and the trip was a real treat to us. The sermon was preached by a young man who gave up a good position to go into the ministry at a much smaller salary, and is soon to be installed as pastor at South Gate Church. . . . Dr. Farnham is as busy as ever with Tract Society work, although he has passed his seventy-eighth birthday. I shall be seventy-four this month, so you see we are getting on towards the goal. I wish you could have witnessed an entertainment

GIVEN BY THE CHINESE Y. M. C. A.

in honor of the appointed U. S. Ambassador. He was suddenly called to Peking and therefore was not there, but the Viceroy of Szechuen and other Chinese officials were. Speeches were made and interpreted, then a cinematograph exhibition occupied the rest of the evening, the finest I have ever seen. There were fully a thousand Chinese present, mostly men; we were the only foreigners there. It was in the Martyrs' Memorial Hall and you seldom behold

SUCH A SEA OF CHINESE FACES.

[The writer of the next letter was compelled to come home in August, having fought for health, as one of her associates says, "eighteen months with a fortitude and cheerfulness that won our admiration and love. We did so want to keep her; she just suited the work, the workers and the Chinese."]

DR. CAROLINE S. MERWIN wrote from TSINANFU, June 16:

My life is lived almost exclusively within our four yard walls, but I am happy in being able to go on with my very interesting work and I am fortunate in having an assistant, Miss Di. Just now measles is going the rounds, and mothers are pretty faithful about daily reports when their little ones are too sick to be brought; mother love and anxiety are

THE SAME THE WORLD OVER.

I find that little girls who escape an early death seem just as dear to their hearts as boys, and, two weeks ago, I saw a father's eyes fill and his voice become husky, when I told him that his daughter could never be well again. In the clinic, I often see what I have wanted to see, the story of Jesus and God's great love heard for the first time. Oh,

WE DO NOT HALF APPRECIATE the great Sacrifice, we who have heard of it

all our lives. It is a beautiful story and, told here and listened to by those without hope, weakened by disease, overwork and exposure, it means life.

We had a feast yesterday in our own home. It was a big Chinese feast-day, so we asked our *amah* if she would be willing to prepare

A GENUINE GOOD CHINESE FEAST

for us all, if we furnished the money. She was delighted, and we invited Mrs. Dodd and Miss Whitewright (English Baptist Mission) and told Hsü Ta Sao to invite the Chinese women on the place. There were ten of us at table. The woman planned everything. There was no tablecloth; a pair of chopsticks was at each place and a bowl of *bow-tze* (a sort of dumpling filled with chopped meat and a vegetable). In the center of the table was a plate of Chinese rolls, with a scarlet flower stuck in the top one; this was surrounded by four small plates heaped with vegetables, cold, chopped fine and highly seasoned. The delicacy was some sort of a jellyfish, tough and absolutely tasteless to us but much enjoyed by the Chinese. A plate at each end held a sort of rice fritters with dates in them, all unseasoned; and there were two plates of crisp thin cookies with millet seed on them—they are simply flour and water. There was nothing to drink.

The blessing, which by a Chinese is always a long prayer, was asked by Miss Di, and then we fell to work with the chopsticks. It was my first experience and, as I was really hungry, my attempts to reach my mouth seemed to me pitiful, but they appealed to the rest as very funny. Hsü Ta Sao was a little worried because the food was so expensive, but it did not worry us. How much do you think it cost? Ten people had all they could eat; there was almost as much remaining, and

THE WHOLE COST LESS THAN FIFTY CENTS.

No wonder Chinese can go to America, labor a few years and return capitalists!

MRS. A. A. FULTON wrote from CANTON:

Some days I seem to have much more freedom in speech (Chinese is so hard a language), and it was one of the days. Thirty-four women and children were present. Eight held up their hands, showing their desire to worship the true God. They learned one prayer, "Lord, forgive my sins, and bless me." Thursday, forty-six women and girls attended. Sometimes the lack of formality would shock you, an audible assent to my remarks or interruption by a question addressed to me, is a common occurrence. I permit such things, for I am here to make plain the blessed story and lead them to the light.

SIAM.

RETURNED FROM HIS EUROPEAN TRIP.

MISS EDNA S. COLE wrote from BANGKOK, Nov. 20, 1907:

The King of Siam has returned to his home and great was the welcome given him. Everything was done that the little kingdom could do to show the people's gladness and loyalty. Money was spent like water. Streets were brilliant with decorations of bunting and Japanese lanterns by day, and a blaze of light and beauty at night.

SEVEN MAGNIFICENT ARCHES

were thrown across the wide new road that leads from the royal palace to the new palace in Dusit Park. Each of these was erected by a different Department of State, and all were joined by festoons of bunting and colored lanterns. Gaily decorated booths were erected on either side of the road, and each filled with the family of some official on the day the King arrived. By day the scene was of rare beauty and, by night, fairyland was not to be compared with it.

HARRIET HOUSE SCHOOL WAS INVITED

by the Educational Department to sit with the other girls' schools in the booth erected for that purpose. We arrayed ourselves in rose-colored *panungs* and white jackets and, carrying our beautiful scarlet banner trimmed with gold paper, we proceeded by river and canal until we reached the place of embarkation; then, forming in a great procession, we marched through crowds of people to our appointed place. We bowed and waved as the King passed by, glad to do our part in welcoming back to his kingdom its beloved sovereign.

KOREA.

MISS JANE SAMUEL of Syen Chun wrote from PANG SAN, Nov. 14, 1907:

Last summer, when spending a few months in America for much-needed rest, I was "dined and wined" nearly to death. I never could feel safe in going to any meeting. I was expected to say something interesting and profitable nearly every hour of the day, and on stated occasions to deliver addresses to large audiences. So that I really lost twelve pounds of flesh—and my mind was quite bewildered. I was glad to get away and spend a few weeks on the ocean, before reaching Korea.

This is a rainy day and I am penned up in a tiny room in a wayside inn. We are on our way from Eui Ju Kol to a far north mountain church to hold another class. Our classes are very large. Since Annual Meeting I have held three, numbering 193, 128 and 162 respectively, so I must have a woman teacher.

TEACHERS ARE OUR MOST URGENT NEED.

Day schools for girls are popping up here and there, and in desperation the people lay hold of some woman and "sit her down" as a teacher. Then she comes to us for instruction. Miss Chase is devoting her time this year to the woman's school, and we hope for better days in future.

Dec. 4—Syen Chun.—I have been home from the country nearly a week and go out again to-morrow. The mountain trip was exceedingly interesting. The women are rough farmers for the most part but they have warm hearts and gladly welcome the Christian teachers, who never think of going to see them more than once a year. Forty-two gathered for study at Sak Ju. This magistracy is a

VERY WICKED WALLED CITY, unlike any other I have ever seen. The walls are four-square, set in the middle of a large plain. From the top of the high mountains around, it reminds one of pictures of the Tabernacle in the wilderness. When I held a class here last year I made the trip in three stages: first by train, second by Korean chair, and third by a mule pack! The last neither sounds elegant nor looks well but is really quite comfortable. I have not yet exhausted travel possibilities, for there remain at least a cow and an ox-cart to try.

I had such a good time in Eui Ju. I went JUST AT PICKLE-MAKING TIME, and that is when people have to work if they want good things to eat in the winter. I went out with the women and helped clean cabbage and turnips, for they begged me not to begin the class for two days; they did not want to miss one session. Pastor Kil of Pyeng Yang was with us. He brought a message true and clear, and many responded. One evening we had a meeting for school children,

THREE HUNDRED BOYS AND GIRLS READY FOR anything and everything. Pastor Kil is blind, and when he would come into the church the boys would all rise and as many as could reach him would try to help him; one took care of his shoes, another carried his Bible. He gave them a fine talk.

COLOMBIA, SO. AMERICA.

MRS. CHAS. S. WILLIAMS, one of the autumn recruits, wrote from BOGOTA, Nov. 15, announcing her arrival:

We had some of the happiest days of our lives on the ocean steamer, *en route*, and we were well entertained by the earnest missionaries at Barranquilla the two days of our stay there. The voyage on the river steamer was quite different.

THE REMEMBRANCE IS A NIGHTMARE,

still we shall always have to remember, in connection with it, the wonderful goodness of our Father. On that river boat, the heat was intense, almost stifling; mosquitoes were such a pest that we were obliged to seek refuge under the nets at six o'clock each evening. Worst of all was the food. I fared very well upon dry bread (no butter) and black coffee without cream or milk, but Mr. Williams tried to eat other things, and the fifth day out was stricken down with fever. There was no doctor among the half-dozen passengers, and of course not in those tiny villages along the river banks. The captain of the boat would gladly have left us at Puerto Berrio, where by a journey of five hours we might reach a hospital in the hills. But Mr. Williams could not make the railway journey, and there were

ALREADY EIGHTY FEVER PATIENTS

in that hospital. I begged to stay on the boat until we reached Honda. There we were met by Mr. Candor and a good doctor who was educated in Paris took charge of Mr. Williams. Worn out with watching, nursing and anxiety, I also succumbed to fever at Honda. It is an unhealthy place, so the doctor had me carried on board an upper-river boat. We were on it three days, then four Indians carried me off and, by slow degrees, we made the mountain trip on horse and mule back. We both improved with every mile up the mountains. Braced by mountain air, fresh milk and eggs, we recovered strength rapidly. Bogota people welcomed us most royally. Fully

TWO HUNDRED MET US AT THE STATION

and cheered our arrival. We trust that a bad beginning may have a good ending. We are both of us in splendid health in Bogota. Our first night here, eleven young men of the church serenaded us in true Spanish style, for two hours, with stringed instruments. The selections were all from the Italian school of music, and well rendered. Friday night after our arrival, Bogota church, under direction of Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Candor and Miss Freeman, gave us a reception. With a church banked with thousands of flowers, and crowded with men and women, with an orchestra to furnish music, with flattering speeches and much embracing when introduced, we were welcomed and made to feel at home.

It is wonderful what has been accomplished by the three faithful workers who have been "holding the fort" here. Surely, if they had not the Everlasting Arms under them, they had fainted long ago.

HOME DEPARTMENT

UNITED STUDY OF MISSIONS, 1908

GLORIA CHRISTI: *An Outline Study of Missions and Social Progress*

CHAPTER VI.—MISSIONS CONTRIBUTING TO OTHER FORMS OF SOCIAL PROGRESS.

Five ways in which missionaries have helped the world's material progress.

I. In Geographical Exploration.

Map-talk, using map of Africa, and indicating ground first explored by Moffat, Livingstone, Grenfell and others.

II. In Developing Trade and Introducing Appliances of Civilization.

- a. Contrast South African trade conditions in Moffat's time and now.
- b. Draw the same contrast between trade of the South Sea Islands in Williams' day and now.
- c. Specify valuable products exported at the suggestion of missionaries, as quinine, rubber, arrowroot, etc.
- d. Sketch modern appliances introduced to the heathen world: sewing machines, printing presses, artesian wells, house-building, agricultural implements, etc. (See *New Forces in Old China*, by Dr. A. J. Brown.)

III. Dissemination of Knowledge, by

- (1) Reduction of languages and dialects to writing.
- (2) Translation of the Bible.

Brief extracts to be given by individuals from *Christian Missions and Social Progress*:

"The sum total of volumes which may be credited to missionary authorship would number probably in the thousands."

"The entire lexicographical labors of missionaries were undertaken with desire to facilitate the impartation of truth in all its manifold variety, but the supreme motive was the promotion of Bible translation."

"So far as we know, there is not a single case on record of the reduction to writing of a Polynesian language by other than a Christian worker."

"The four great salient reaches of modern African exploration—the massive river systems of the Niger, Nile, Congo and Zambesi—are each in no small measure associated with missionary exploration."

"The Rev. Walter A. Briggs, M.D., of the Presbyterian Mission in Laos, has been made a fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, in recognition of his services in extending the world's knowledge of the Shan states and the Laos-speaking people."

"Volcanic eruptions in Hawaii were investigated for over half a century by missionaries of the American Board. The Rev. Titus Coan . . . has been called the "Chronicler of the Hawaiian Volcanoes."

"It was the letters of the Rev. Wm. K. Eddy to *The Times* (London), in 1887, which called attention to the sarcophagi discovered near Sidon, dating back, as it is supposed, to the time of Alexander's siege of Tyre."

"The Rev. Adolphus C. Good, in West Africa, made much appreciated contributions to the world's scientific knowledge of the little known hinterland. His chief diversion was the collection of moths and butterflies, of which he sent thousands of specimens to America."

"In psychology, missionaries have been the source of much valuable data to students . . . as to mental processes and the varied psychic phenomena observable in primitive races."

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- (3) Printing and distribution of religious literature.

IV. Other Contributions of Value.

- (1) Diplomatic and political services. Give brief sketches of Verbeck of Japan; Martin of China; Allen of Korea.
- (2) Extending dominion of Christian races.
- (3) Inroads on heathen religions.
 - a. Mohammedanism, number of adherents and attitude towards Christianity.
 - b. Effect of Christian practices on other organized faiths.

V. Epoch-making Changes in Many Lands.

Give typical indications of progress in Brazil, Peru, Syria, Siam, Afghanistan, Philippines and Porto Rico.

Trace their connection with mission work.

VI. The Enthronement of the Christ.

- a. The final object of mission work.
- b. Modern instance of missionary spirit.
- c. Suggestions of progressive methods in the Church at home.

Read entire the final two paragraphs, *Social Ascent and Gloria Christi*.

Sing "Christ for the world we sing."

Show pictures 21a, 21b, 22b.

NEW STEREOPTICON LECTURE

Would you know what part the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions is having in awakening an ancient empire to new life? The new lecture on China will present it in a series of stereopticon views. Up-to-date! Interesting! Instructive! Address: Foreign Missions Library, 156 Fifth Ave., New York, or Woman's Boards in Chicago, San Francisco, and Mrs. W. S. Holt, 498 Mill St., Portland, Oregon.

SIGNIFICANT LETTERS RECEIVED SINCE NEW YEAR'S

MARKSBORO, N. J., Jan. 2, 1908.

DEAR WOMAN'S WORK: I read, in the Dec. number of the magazine, a letter from Mrs. Chas. H. Mattison, Fatehpur, India, that there was famine in that country. I enclose \$1.00 to be sent to help relieve what suffering it will. I wish I could send \$1,000 instead of just \$1.00, but pray that God's blessing go with it and the famine be stayed.

A Friend in the Work.

MADISON, Ind., Jan. 2, 1908.

Enclosed find 50 cents for renewal of WOMAN'S WORK. I have taken it for years, and could not do without it. As I will be ninety on my next birthday, it cannot be much

longer. But I am waiting and praying for the cause.
Mrs. S. S. Lewis.

FROM A MISSIONARY IN KOREA:

If you promise not to make me blush, I will from time to time send you a few lines for the magazine. Just put them in anywhere and any way you want.

FROM A MISSIONARY IN CHINA:

I am glad you shortened the article I sent. Please feel quite free to make any changes that seem best to you. I have never had the least training in journalism and am well aware that my writing shows it. But I am glad to say what I can for the cause I love.

NEW BOOKS

China and America To-day. Arthur H. Smith.

The Conquest of the Cross in China. Jacob Speicher.

China in Legend and Story. C. Campbell Brown.

A trio of books written by missionaries; published by Fleming H. Revell Company.

The sixth chapter of Dr. Smith's book is called "The New Far East and New China" and is specially interesting. It contains a list of the railways in operation in the Empire, and several important pages upon the new literature which has rapidly developed. On opium reform, another topic, the author makes this encouraging statement: "A strong Chinese public sentiment, never before in evidence, is now antagonizing opium." (P. 135.) There are a great many quotations in this book, and much is said about America and Japan, as well as China.

Mr. Speicher's volume is a compilation of his lectures to the students of Colgate and Rochester universities. He has grouped his twenty chapters under four topics: Characteristics of the Chinese, The Foreign Missionary in China, Missionary Methods in China, Problems of Chinese Local Churches. There are 369 pages.

The stories in Mr. Brown's volume are free from the forbidding grotesqueness which often surrounds Oriental tales. These are human and written with a charm of literary style and spiritual sympathy. Some of the stories are drawn from personal experience, here and there one approaches the folk lore of other countries; all center about one city, Chinchew, a mission station of the Presbyterian Church of England. The pictures are fine photographs, the type is open and attractive.

The Foreign Missionary. Arthur J. Brown, D.D. (Fleming H. Revell Company.) List price, \$1.50.

A volume of 412 close-printed pages, stamped with all Dr. Brown's characteristic energy, strong sense, thoroughness and convincingness. Frequent quotations from poems and humorous illustrations lighten the weight of discussion. The chapters begin: The Missionary Motive, The Missionary Aim. The missionary himself is studied from every point of view and in all his relations—to the Board, the Home Church, His Associates, the Native Church, etc., etc.

To-day in the Land of To-morrow, A Study in the Development of Mexico. By Jasper T. Moses. (The Christian Woman's Board of Missions, 152 E. Market St., Indianapolis, Ind.) Cloth, ill'd, 83 pp.; postpaid, 55 cts.

The second half of its title is hardly warranted by the scope of this volume, in which one may find some new information and here and there shrewd observations. The author says there are "about 750 Protestant congregations in Mexico" and "nearly 25,000 communicants." We are puzzled by the spelling adopted for our old acquaintance "Monterey," and the publishers seem in doubt themselves, for sometimes it wears its ancient aspect but more times it is printed "Monterrey."

Fleming H. Revell Company publishes the following:

Indian and Spanish Neighbors. Julia H. Johnston.

At Our Own Door. By S. L. Morris, D.D.

The former is the text-book for Women's Home Mission Societies, by one well fitted to prepare it. The latter concerns Home Missions, especially in the South and West. The author is Secretary for Home Missions in the Southern Presbyterian Church.

The Queenly Mother in the Realm of Home. Margaret E. Sangster. (Fleming H. Revell Company.) Ill'd, 80 pp., cloth; \$1.50 net.

The book opens pleasantly with the portrait of Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, and it moves on with the serenity and sweet good sense which characterize and endear the author's pen to her large audience.

Helen Marsdon's Call. Ella Reinking Towle. (Ray & Cowdin, Grinnell, Ia.) Booklet, 29 pp.

Sunny Memories of Three Pastors. William Elliot Griffis, D.D., L.H.D. (Andrus & Church, Ithaca, N. Y.)

In paper covers:

A Church Calendar, 1908. "For the Use of the Clergy and Laity." (Published by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Church Missions House, New York.)

Medical Missions in India. Quarterly Journal of Indian Medical Missionary Association. July, 1907. (Santal Mission Press, Pokhuria.)

Co-operation. Which shall it be? Centralized Synodical, Informal Presbyterian or Inde-

pendent? By Ida Goepf Pierson. (Memorial Press at Sendai, Japan.)

Report of Korea Mission (Presbyterian), 1907.

The Human Mission (Presbyterian). *Minutes of Annual Meeting*, 1907.

The Story of the Year, Being the Short An-

nual Report for 1906-7. (London: C. M. S. House, Salisbury Square, E. C.)

A Sociological Experiment Among Factory Girls. (Matsuyama, Japan.)

Friendship, A Praise Service. (Literature Dept. Woman's Board of Home Missions, 156 Fifth Ave., New York.)

A NEW YEAR REFLECTION

Happy those in whose hearts these words from Persia do not wake a regretful echo; they are written by *Mrs. J. N. Wright* of Tabriz:

Dr. Wright went on a tour which lasted nearly three months. While he was away everything was "on my head," as they say in Persia. Many letters came and found a place among the "unanswered." Some, alas! had come from busy hands that were still, when I found the time to answer. Did you ever suffer from a feeling of remorse when dear ones passed away whom you had neglected in this matter of letter writing?

CHANGES IN THE MISSIONARY FORCE

ARRIVALS:

November 15, 1907.—At Seattle, Wash., Mrs. J. L. Whiting from Peking. Address, 182 Elm St., Oberlin, Ohio.

Dec. 23.—At New York, Miss Elsa P. Cory from Brazil. Address, Midland, Mich.

DEPARTURES:

Dec. 17, 1907.—From Ann Arbor, Mich., Rev. and Mrs. C. Scott Williams and two children, returning to Mexico.

Dec. 24.—From San Francisco, Rev. and Mrs. Robt. F. Fitch and three children, returning to China.

Dec. 26.—From Mooresville, Ind., Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Vanderbilt and four children, returning to Mexico.

January 5, 1908.—From New York, Miss Elizabeth R. Williamson, returning to Bahia State, Brazil.

Jan. 7.—From San Francisco, Miss Eleanor Wherry, returning to Woodstock School, India.

MARRIAGES:

December 5, 1907.—At Kodoli, West India, Mrs. Lillian Emery Havens to William James Wanless, M.D., of Miraj, Bombay Presidency.

Dec. 10.—At ———, China, Miss Ada Gilbert, of the C. M. S. Mission in Cheh-kiang Province, to Rev. William P. Chalfant of Ichowfu, Shantung.

Dec. 27.—At Montclair, N. J., Miss Alice Carter to Rev. William Henry Gleysteen, both of North China Mission.

DEATH:

Dec. 18, 1907.—At Beirût, Syria, after a short illness from pneumonia, Theodosia, wife of Rev. Henry H. Jessup, D.D.

RESIGNATIONS:

Mrs. C. D. Campbell, Mexico Mission. Appointed 1893.

Rev. and Mrs. Wm. C. Isett, W. Shantung Mission. Appointed 1906.

Miss Elsa P. Cory, Central Brazil Mission. Appointed 1905.

NOTES FROM HEADQUARTERS

The following helps are permanent and may be obtained from all Women's Boards—

On all the missions:—

Historical Sketch..... 10 cts.
Question Book..... 5 cts.
Schools and Colleges, each, 2 cts.; set, 15 cts.
Medical Series....each, 3 cts.; set, 15 cts.
Home Life..... 2 cts.
Illustrated Programmes.....per doz. 5 cts.
Hero Series..... 2 cts.
The Year Book of Prayer, 1908..... 10 cts.
A Visit to the West Africa Mission.... 10 cts.

Mission Study Series:—

Via Christi, Introduction to Missions,
Lux Christi, India,
Rex Christus, China,
Dux Christus, Japan,
Christus Liberator, Africa,
Christus Redemptor, Island World,
Gloria Christi, Social Progress,
 Each, postpaid, cloth, 50 cts.; paper, 30 cts.

For Children:—

A Cruise in the Island World..... 20 cts.

In Circles of Light..... 20 cts.

From Philadelphia.

Send all letters to 501 Witherspoon Building. Directors' meeting first Tuesday of month at 10.30 o'clock. Prayer-meeting the third Tuesday at 11 o'clock. Visitors welcome at both meetings.

PRAYER-MEETING, Feb. 18. Topics: *Our Treasury. China.*

TREASURERS are reminded that books at headquarters close April 1st. This means that payments must be sent in time to be received in Philadelphia on or before March 31.

In response to the appeal for earlier quarterly payments, and in spite of the financial depression, presbyterian societies have put us already (Jan. 1) about \$9,500 in advance of receipts for the same period last year.

THE Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting (Third Biennial Assembly) of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church will be held in the Chambers-Wylie Church, Philadelphia, on April 29 and 30, preceded by a devotional service on Tuesday evening. A general meeting in the Academy of Music on Wednesday evening will be led by the new Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, Rev. Stanley White, D.D. Details will be given later.

MRS. THORPE and her daughter safely reached our shores on Jan. 3, in fine health and spirits. Now come the welcome, and the thanks to our Father for His protecting, constant care.

DIRECTORS' Meeting in December was honored by the presence of Mrs. J. H. Orbison of Lahore, now staying in Phila., who turned a flashlight on present conditions in India.

MISS ELIZABETH WILLIAMSON sailed for Brazil on Jan. 4, after a furlough spent largely in Phila.

EVERY seat was full at the Syria prayer-meeting. In four brief addresses from members of our Board, who had visited Syria, each missionary there was described, and we were thus helped to formulate our prayers for the beloved Christmas Land. Our most pressing need in Syria is \$8,000 with which to buy the house next to Sidon Seminary. Nearly \$4,000 is in sight, but is forfeited unless the remaining \$4,000 is raised at once. A very objectionable Moslem family wish to purchase this much-needed property, which is so closely linked with the Seminary that they have one common alley for an entrance. This would be intolerable for a girls' school in Syria, yet we are permitted to appeal only for *extra* gifts for this purpose. May we cable, on Feb. 20, that the money is promised? Then do not delay a day in sending your extra gifts to Miss Sarah W. Cattell, 501 Witherspoon Building.

ANY society wishing to secure a letter from the field each month during the year, may do so by sending 25 cts. annually to headquarters.

FIRST number of the new Educational Series, *Schools and Colleges in China*, by Mrs. T. M. Sinclair, illustrated, 4 cts.; *Ancestor Worship in China*, 1 ct.; *How They Play in China*, *Child Life in China*, *Tilly's Thanksgiving Dollar*, *Melas and Summer Schools* and *The Doll that Sailed Away*, each 2 cts.

From Chicago.

Meetings at Room 48, Le Moyne Block, 40 E. Randolph Street, every Friday at 10 A. M. Visitors welcome.

THE saying, "Every one that asketh receiveth," has again come true in the response given to the "plain, unvarnished tale" sent out to the Auxiliary Societies in November by our Treasurer, Mrs. Thomas E. D. Bradley, and the Finance Committee.

OUR Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting will be in Springfield, Ill., April 22, 23. Are you praying for it? Have you appointed delegates? Will you be there? Yes? Then we shall have a capital time in that capital city.

BLANKS for Annual Reports will be mailed to presbyterial secretaries this month. If yours are not duly received, please notify Mrs.

Dee F. Clarke, Office Secretary, so that duplicates may be promptly sent.

THE fiscal year closes twenty days earlier now, April *first* instead of April 20. All gifts should reach presbyterial treasurers before March 1; and not a cent can lend its little hand, nor can any five or ten thousand dollar offering help one jot to roll up the grand total, that does not put in an appearance at Room 48 by April *first*!

WITH confidence that Presbyterian women of the Northwest are growing in the grace of prayerfulness, we have laid in a larger supply of the *Year Book* than ever before. It would be hard to find a pamphlet of its size more pleasing in appearance or holding more useful information. The price, 10 cts., includes postage. Shall we say, "Lord, teach us to pray," and yet refuse prayer's text-book?

ONE of winter's dark days was brightened by the bonnie smile of Mrs. C. C. Hansen, from Laos, with her two little daughters, going up to the old home in Oconto, Wis., after roses; not such as beautify the Lakawn home, but the sort that made Miss Lillian Reinhart roseate when sent to Mosul, Turkey, in '93.

AMONG other blessings which December brought was a call from Dr. Louise Keator from North China, who promises to come again soon, and on Friday; and uplifting addresses from Mr. and Mrs. Williams of Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. Boomer of Chile, two pairs resembling one another in modesty and ability.

From New York.

Prayer-meeting at 156 Fifth Ave., cor. 20th St., the first Wednesday of each month, at 10.30 A. M. Each other Wednesday there is a half-hour meeting for prayer and reading of missionary letters, commencing at same hour.

IT is with the deepest sorrow that we must record the death on December 17, from typhoid fever, of Mrs. William Dulles, Jr., of Englewood, N. J., one of our most devoted, efficient and beloved Secretaries for Correspondence with missionaries and member of the Board of Managers. To those who were associated with her on the Board, Mrs. Dulles has left the precious memory of Christian fellowship and the inspiration of a life of sincere consecration to the service of her Master.

THE death of Mrs. Wm. McCluskey at Anna, Ill., removes another able and lifelong leader in the missionary society and other branches of church work. The family recently removed to Illinois from their old home in Holland Patent, N. Y., where Mrs. McCluskey was identified with the Utica Branch. Her daughter is Mrs. Marion Palmer of Chiang Mai, Laos.

WE are glad to welcome into office two new Presbyterial officers in New York City, that Presbytery where it has been so difficult to find any one with time to devote to the work. Miss M. E. Beardslee, 207 East 30th St., has consented to act as Secretary of Literature *pro tem.*, and Miss Grace Brownell, 322 West 56th St., will fill the office of Presbyterial Secretary for Young Women's Societies.

TWO new Presbyterial Societies have been organized in Kentucky since the union with the Cumberland Church, Princeton and Logan. We trust that the offices may all be quickly

filled and that the new officers may put themselves in communication with headquarters as speedily as possible, in order that the new field of work opening to us may be quickly and efficiently developed.

THE first meeting of the new year, held on the morning of Jan. 2, was partly given up to tributes to Mrs. Wm. Dulles, one of the active members of this Board for seventeen years. Mr. Alfred Marling gave a most inspiring account of the Laymen's Missionary Movement which, though only a little over a year old, has shown a vitality that gives a very bright outlook for the future. Dr. Halsey's "Missionary Outlook for 1908" was very bright, in the opportunities it offers in every field, and it remains for the Church to go forward and for every individual to "awake to the responsibility of her high calling."

LEAFLETS: *Ancestor Worship, Confucius and His Teachings, Foot-binding in China, Only a Woman's Life, Robert Morrison*, each 2 cts.; *China in Outline, China for Juniors*, each 10 cts.

From Northern New York.

IN reminding local treasurers that the books of the General Treasurer close April 1, we want to urge them to forward, immediately, whatever funds they may have in hand. When moneys are held back until the last of March, it means more anxiety at "156 Fifth Avenue." Missionary salaries must be paid promptly and other appropriations met, and if only all treasurers would acquire the habit of forwarding money once in two months, or at least every quarter, it would greatly facilitate the work.

WE trust that all our societies have borne in mind that, this year, there is need for a 20 per cent. advance in our contributions. We sincerely hope every one of them will meet this advance. It is imperative that all pledges be met and that the Women's Societies do not fall behind. This may mean self-denial, but when the Lord is so greatly blessing work on the field we should rejoice to make sacrifices to have part in such blessed work.

SOCIETIES supporting Mrs. Weber were promptly furnished with a copy of her most interesting letter, received in the late fall. Those who have not read it are invited to write to Miss Beckford, 305 Clinton Avenue, Albany, for a copy. They will then see for themselves the urgent need there is for prayer for Africa, for men and means. Dr. and Mrs. Weber are for the present helping to hold the fort at Lolodorf.

IT is not too late to order the text-book for Mission Study Classes, *Gloria Christi*, and the *Year Book of Prayer for 1908*. These are supplied, together with the Mission Study helps, by Miss C. A. Bush, 31 Second St., Troy, N. Y.

From San Francisco.

Legal headquarters, Calvary Church, cor. Fillmore and Jackson Sts.

President, Mrs. H. B. Pinney, 2830 Buchanan St., San Francisco. Letters after March 1st may be sent, as formerly, to 920 Sacramento St.

THE Chinese church in San Francisco is nearing completion. Rev. J. H. Laughlin, our missionary, has made ready a very pleasant room in the church for the Occidental day school, which has moved in, and Christmas exercises have taken place; it was a happy occasion. Miss Cowdon, teacher.

CHRISTMAS has also been celebrated in the Condit School, Oakland. That has been a live school and most convenient for the San Francisco families who fled from the burning city. A good-sized colony joined those whose homes have been for long in Oakland. Mrs. E. Y. Garrette, a Director of Occidental Board and Chairman of the Evangelistic Committee, has done a beautiful work in these schools. Mrs. Laughlin has shared with her in work for the schools and directed the King's Daughters. Miss Grace Russell, teacher.

A SHADOW has fallen suddenly upon the home of Mrs. Laughlin, while the Christmas festivities were being ushered in. Her father, Mr. O. E. Boyd, who with her mother had recently come from New York to spend the winter at the home of their daughter, became suddenly ill and passed away to the heavenly land. Mr. Boyd was well known in Home Mission circles; the bereaved wife and Mrs. Laughlin and family will have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

MISS DONALDINA CAMERON is at her post in the Mission Home, and her work at that distant place, 477 E. 11th St., East Oakland, has been full of difficulties. Besides rescue work, she has the care of fifty girls—each one a special care and all to be made happy. No one can do this quite so well as Miss Cameron; the hard work of moving the family and all their belongings is yet to come. Miss Pratt is day-school teacher, Mrs. Kindleberger matron, and these positions are admirably filled.

EAST OAKLAND Church, Rev. — Sanborn, pastor, has been the church home of our mission family, and it has been cordially welcomed by pastor and people. The Sabbath-school has furnished excellent teachers, and the instruction has been helpful.

NEW SOCIETIES

FLORIDA.
Punta Gorda, Loyalty to Christ Circle.

MARYLAND.
Baltimore, Light St., Ivy Leaf Soc.

NEW JERSEY.
Newark, Forest Hill Ch., Bd.

Vineland, Golden Links Bd.

NEW YORK.

Brooklyn, Bd.

Corning, Jr. S. C. E.

Lima, Wide Awake Mission Club.

Lyons, Mission Bees.

Syracuse, E. Syracuse Ch., George Stone Bd.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Pitcairn, Willing Workers.

Receipts of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church for December, 1907.

* Indicates Praise Offering. † Christmas Offering.

BINGHAMTON.—Binghamton, 1st, 87.65; Floral Ave., 10; Cortland, 36.75, †43.37. \$177.71

BOSTON, MASS.—Boston, 1st, 20, L. Circle, 15, Paul

Hershey Bd., 5, C.E., 15; Scotch, Light Bearers, 2; East Boston, 20; Roxbury, C.E., 50; Brookline, C.E., 5; Haverhill, 2.25; Houlton, Me., C.E., 2.50; Hyde Park, C.E., 6;

Lawrence, German, C.E., 4; Lowell, 25; New Bedford, C. E., 10; Newburyport, 1st, 8; Newport, R. I., 5; Portland, Me., 5; Quincy, 10; Worcester, 8, 217.75

BROOKLYN.—Brooklyn, Central, 25, In Mem., 25; Durvea, 10.50; 1st, 350; Lafayette Ave., Jr. Y.P. Assn., 10.58; Linwood St. Branch, C.E., 2.50; Mem'l, 10.50; Prospect Heights, 5.22; Ross St., 11.75, C.E., 50; South 3d St., 56.58, *17.63, Y. L. Circle, 38; Westm'r, 16.18, 629.44

BUFFALO.—Akron, 4; Blasdell, 3.15; Buffalo, Calvary, 100; East, 6; Faxon Ave., 3; 1st, Jr. League, 3; Lafayette Ave., 110; North, 39.25; Walden Ave., 5; West Ave., C.E., 20; Franklinville, 3.04; Fredonia, 40; Ripley, 1.20; Sherman, 24.06, C.E., 5; Silver Creek, 16.50; Springville, 12.55; Tonawanda, 5.50; Westfield, 60; A Friend, 4; Individuals, 75; Pres'l Soc., 5, 545.25

CATUGA.—Auburn, Central, 40; Fair Haven, 7; Ithaca, 37; Meridian, 15, 99.00

CHEMUNG.—Moreland, 16; Pine Grove, 5; Watkins, 43; Weston, 5, 69.00

GENESEE.—Attica, 12.15; Batavia, 50, *37; Bergen, 20; Castile, 7.78; Le Roy, 43.50; Oakfield, 7; Perry, 20, Girls' Circle, 25; Stone Church, C.E., 5; Warsaw, 15, *27, Y.W. S., 26, 295.43

GENEVA.—Canandaigua, 15; Geneva, 1st, 6.25; North, 6.25, Y.L.S., *6.50, C.E., 7.50; Penn Yan, 5; Seneca Falls, Pilgrim Bld., 15; Trumansburg, *20, Y.L.S., 10; West Payette, 2, 93.50

LOGAN, KY.—Anburn, 20; Old Union, 1.30; Russellville, 5; Smith's Grove, 4, 30.30

LONG ISLAND.—Amagansett, 17; Bridgeton, "Mission Stars", 1.50; Centre Moriches, 12.50; Cutchogue, 9, Bld., 5; East Hampton, 19; East Moriches, 23; Port Jefferson, C.E., 7.09; Sag Harbor, C.E., 5; Setauket, 7, C.E., 5; Stony Brook, C.E., 1; Shelter Island, 27; Southampton, 34; Southold, Bld., 2.50; Westhampton, 17.35, 192.94

LYONS.—Clyde, 25; Lyons, 30.45; Palmyra, C.E., 9.50, 64.95

MORRIS AND ORANGE, N. J.—Morristown, South St., 175.00

NEW YORK.—New York, Brick, 500; Central, *64.35, C. E., 13; Ch. of the Covenant, Babcock Sunshine Bld., 5, Boys' Loyalty Bld., 5; Ch. of the Puritans, 25; Faith, C.E., 10.64, Inter. C.E., 6, Jr. C.E., 5; 4th, 55; Harlem, Helping Hands, 100; Mizpah Chapel, 12.50; North, C.E., 56.67; Park, 67.50,

Y.W.S., 67.50; Olivet, 40; Stapleton, S. I., 1st, 25, 1,058.16
 Otsego.—East Guilford, C.E., 5; Unadilla, C.E., 2.70, 7.70
 PRINCETON, KY.—Hopkinsville, 1st, C.E., 10; Pres'l Soc., 36.88, 46.88

ROCHESTER.—Rochester, 3d, Y.W.S., 7; Sweden Centre, C.E., 5, 12.00

ST. LAWRENCE.—Adams, 5; Brasher Falls, C.E., 5; Canton, 8.50; Carthage, 7.50; Chaumont, 5; Potsdam, 18.75, Dorcas Circle, 5; Wanakena, C.E., 7; Watertown, Stone, 20, 81.75

STEBEN.—Addison, 20, Y.W.S., 10; Almond, 2; Angelica, 2; Arkport, 13; Avoca, 2, Jr. C.E., 2; Bath, 25; Belmont, 5; Canaseraga, Y.P.S., 2; Canisteo, 30, Jr. C.E., 5; Cohocton, 5; Corning, 21.50, Y.W.S., 4; Cuba, 22, Y.L.S., 12, A.L.M.S., 35; Hornell, 1st, 62, C.E., 29; Jasper, 2; Painted Post, 6; Prattsburgh, 7, 323.50

SYRACUSE.—Canastota, 29; East Syracuse, 1.75; Fayetteville, 15.88; Fulton, Haystack Bld., 15; Mexico, 5.50; Oswego, Grace, 19; Pompey, C.E., 5; Whitelaw, 4, C.E., 4, 99.13

UTICA.—Boonville, 13.60; Camden, 10; Clinton, 15.30; Holland Patent, 11; Ilion, 21; Knoxboro, 8.60; Little Falls, 35; New Hartford, 25; New York Mills, 11.25; Cheerful Givers, 3; Oneida, 35; Oriskany, 15.50; Rome, 24; Sauquoit, 19; Utica, Bethany, 33.40; Mem'l, 40; Olivet, 6; Westm'r, 50, Fisher Soc., 15; Verona, 50; Waterville, 40; Whitesboro, 10.50, 492.15

WESTCHESTER.—Bedford, C.E., 20; Harrison, C.E., 5; Holyoke, Mass., 5; Katonah, C.E., 10; Mt. Kisco, 7, C.E., 25; New Rochelle, 1st, 10; North Ave., 23.75; Ossining, 18; Peekskill, 1st and 2d 15; 1st, Y.W.S., 5, C.E., 10; 2d, C.E., 10, Jr. C.E., 5; Pelham Manor, 15.25; South Salem, 13; Thompsonville, Ct., 20; Yonkers, Dayspring, 10; Immanuel, 5; Westm'r, 23.75; Yorktown, 30, 285.75

MISCELLANEOUS.—Caledonia, Legacy, Mrs. Isabella Brown, 300; Coll. at Prayer-meeting, 18.46; Interest on Bond, 20; Interest on Riesch Fund, 50; Mrs. J. C. Long, 10; Somerville, N. J., Friends, 46, 404.46

Total, \$5,401.75
 Total since April 1, 38,273.74

HENRIETTA W. HUBBARD, *Treas.*,
 156 Fifth Ave., N. Y. City.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church for December, 1907.

By totals from Presbyterial Societies.

BALTIMORE,	\$592.64	HURON,	\$69.31	PITTSBURG AND ALLE-		WELLSBORO,	\$21.10
BLAIRSVILLE,	515.63	KITTANNING,	598.20	GHENY,	\$16.00	WHEELING,	281.75
CHESTER,	670.57	MONMOUTH,	14.50	PORTSMOUTH,	62.10	WHEELING, 1ST CH.,	75.00
CHILLICOTHE,	174.36	MORRIS AND ORANGE,	1,120.00	SHENANGO,	219.30	Miscellaneous,	1,151.25
COLUMBIA,	43.83	NEWARK,	291.66	STEBENVILLE,	566.00		
ERIE,	817.15	NEW CASTLE,	378.05	Total for December, 1907,			\$9,388.25
FRENCH BROAD,	57.43	NEW HOPE,	20.90	Total since April 1, 1907,			57,962.34
GRAFTON,	97.90	NORTHUMBERLAND,	704.34				
HOPEWELL-MADISON,	25.74	PARKERSBURG,	82.93	(MISS) SARAH W. CATTELL, <i>Treas.</i> , 501 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.			
HUNTSVILLE,	89.77	PHILADELPHIA NORTH,	690.84				

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest for December, 1907.

ABILENE,	\$15.00	FORT WORTH,	\$55.80	PARIS,	\$17.00	ST. JOSEPH,	\$173.50
ARKANSAS,	46.68	HIGHLAND,	65.10	SAN ANTONIO,	3.50	ST. LOUIS,	1,246.70
AUSTIN,	2.70	HOUSTON,	10.82	SEDALIA,	137.45	TOPEKA,	15.00
BROWNWOOD,	44.90	KIRKSVILLE,	92.55	SEQUOYAH,	67.84	Miscellaneous,	32.72
BTERROW,	2.28	KANSAS CITY,	283.64	SOLOMON,	80.77		
CARTHAGE,	84.30	LARNED,	223.43	Total for month,			\$3,565.67
CIMARRON,	15.70	LITTLE ROCK,	2.25	Total to date,			10,896.22
DALLAS,	36.75	NEOSHO,	332.61				
DENTON,	65.10	OKLAHOMA,	31.20	Mrs. Wm. Buro, <i>Treas.</i> , 1756 Missouri Ave., St. Louis, Mo.			
EMPORIA,	361.70	OZARK,	18.68				

Receipts of the Woman's Occidental Board of Foreign Missions to December 25, 1907.

Pres. Socs.	Avg.	C.E. and Y.P.	Bands.	Totals.	Pres. Soc	Avg.	C.E. and Y.P.	Bands.	Totals.
ARIZONA.....	\$15.00			\$15.00	SANTA BARBARA..	\$123.55	\$57.50	\$5.00	\$166.05
BENICIA.....	125.40	\$29.60	\$19.00	174.00		\$2,906.87	\$876.04	\$73.90	\$3,856.81
LOS ANGELES.....	1,510.97	415.82	25.40	1,952.19	Miscellaneous—Mrs. Tracy McGregor, Detroit, Mich., \$75; Miss Harriet Sherman, Cleveland, O., \$25; Y.W. Miss. Soc. First Ch., Kansas City, Mo., \$12.50; Miss Martha Patterson, Berkeley, Cal., \$10,				\$122.50
OAKLAND.....	353.25	57.65	4.00	414.90	Total for three months,				\$3,979.31
RIVERSIDE.....	132.25	46.92	11.00	190.17	Total since March 25, 1907,				10,686.50
SACRAMENTO.....	92.55	24.05		116.60					
SAN FRANCISCO.....	206.25	115.50	7.50	329.25					
SAN JOAQUIN.....	164.60	31.95		196.55					
SAN JOSE.....	183.05	117.05	2.00	302.10					

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Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest for December, 1907.

ALTON.—Alton, 1st, 25; 12th St., 3; Upper Alton, 10; Belleville, 5; Carrollton, 21; E. St. Louis, 4; Hillsboro, 42; Jerseyville, 31; Litchfield, 60; Madison, 10; Reno, 8; Sparta, 4; Virden, 4; White Hall, 5, \$332.00

BLOOMINGTON.—Champaign, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gunn, 12.50

BOULDER.—Boulder, 20.50; Greeley, 17.65; Fossil Creek, 12; Fort Collins, 70; Ft. Morgan, 15; Laporte, 8; Loveland, 16; Longmont, 10; Sterling, 20; Valmont, 4, 193.15

BUTTE.—Anaconda, 24.90

CAIRO.—Anna, 7; Carbondale, 31.50; Golconda, 5; Murphysboro, 10, 53.50

CHIPPEWA.—Ashland, 15; Stanley, 15, 30.00

CRAWFORDSVILLE.—Presbyterial Society, 38.54; Attica,

22.20; Crawfordsville, Center, 10; 1st, 15, Bd., 6.75; Mem'l, Bd., 4; Clinton, 2; Delphi, 12.50, C.E., 3.50, Bd., 8.15; Mrs. C. J. Bowen, 100; Frankfort, 52, Y.L.S., 18.70, Sunbeams, 5; Kirklint, 2; La Fayette, 1st, 12; 2d, 4; Lexington, S., 8.95; Newtown, 5, Bd., 6.50; Rossville, 2; Russellville, 3.50; Spring Grove, 4; Waveland, 12.50; Williamsport, 8; County Assn., Benton, 2.64; Boone, 5; Carroll, 4.35; Clinton, 6.60; Fountain, 1.5; Montgomery, 6.35; Parke, 12.50; Tippecanoe, 5; Warren, 9.78, 434.01

COUNCIL BLUFFS.—Atlantic, 4.85; Audubon, 17; Casey, 6.25; Griswold, 11.40; Bethel, 10.10, Th. Ofc., 3; Guthrie Center, 13.42; Greenfield, 14.70, C.E., 2.55; Logan, 5; Thank Offering, 5; Menlo, 1.94, C.E., 1; Macedonia, C.E., 3.80; Missouri Valley, 14.85; Shelby, 4.35; Woodbine, 12; Council Bluffs, 2d, 4.85, 136.06

CENTRAL DAKOTA.—Bancroft, 2; Brookings, 15, C.E., 25; Hitchcock, 3, C.E., 3; Huron, 60, C.E., 2; Madison, 6; Miller, 7.45; Wolsley, 2, 125.45

DETROIT.—Ann Arbor, 57.52; Bethany, 10; Central, 65, C.E., 10; 1st, 205; Forest Ave., 25; Fort St., Westm'r L., 18.75; Immanuel, 16; Jefferson Ave., 137.50, C.E., 11; Mem'l, 25, Bd., 5.50; Seovil, 35; 2d Ave., 15; Trumbull Ave., 18, C.E., 25; Westm'r, 70; Holly, 23.40; Howell, 30; Milford, 26.34; Plymouth, 3.20, Bd., 4; Pontiac, 5.50; So. Lyon, 14; Wyanpocket, C.E., 8; Ypsilanti, 58.25, 924.96

DENVER.—Arvada, 1; Denver, Central, 108.25, C.E., 50; Judson Soc., 37.50; Corona, 11.90; Highland Pk., 22.13; Hyde Pk., 9; North, 18.50; 23d Ave., 19.50, C.E., 25; Westm'r, 4; York St., 8.50; 1st Ave., 15.05, C.E., 6.25; Brighton, 7.50, C.E., 10; Mt. View, Boul., 5; Littleton, 2; 3d Dist. Meeting, 4.65, 365.73

DUBUQUE.—Farley, 50 cts.; Jesup, 1.80; Manchester, 70 cts.; Volga, 1; W. Union, Bethel, 5; Hopkinton, 8; Manchester, 2, 19.0

DULUTH.—Cloquet, 23, H. E. II., 25; Barnum, 3, C.E., 2.50; Carlton, 5; 1st, 44.25; 2d, 10; Lakeside, 8.86, C.E., 5.10; Glen Avon, 53.93; Sandstone, 4; Two Harbors, Th. Ofc., 4.50, 189.17

FARGO.—Fargo, 21.50; Tower City, 2, 23.50

FLINT.—Fenton, 5; Flint, 34.25, Bd., 8; Lapeer, 33; Marlette, 3; Pt. Huron, 1.50, C.E., 5.80; Westm'r, 11.45; Marlette, 2d, 5, 107.00

FREPORT.—Argyle, 120; Belvidere, 10.25; Byron, Middle Creek, 7.30; Warren, 4, 141.55

FORT WAYNE.—Albion, 4.66; Bluffton, 12; Elkhart, 30.50; Ft. Wayne, 1st, 137; 3d, 15; Westm'r, 8; Goshen, 55; Huntington, 25; La Grange, 5, Bd., 25; Lima, 58.25; Ossian, 8; Warsaw, 30.40; Winona Lake, 15; Kendallville, 8, 436.81

GRAND RAPIDS.—Evert, 5; 1st, 19.59, C.E., 2.50; Immanuel, 4.50, C.E., 2.50; 3d, 4; Westm'r, 10, C.E., 10; Hesperia, 3.50; Ionia, 21; Ludington, 3.50; Montague, 2.50; Spring Lake, 1, 89.59

GREAT FALLS.—First, 5.25; G. M. Gilchrist, 25; Lewistown, 1st, 7.50, 37.75

HELENA.—Helena, 3.60; Bozeman, 3.55, 7.15

HASTINGS.—Aurora, 7.20; Beaver City, 3.50; Bethel, 3; Culbertson, C.E., 1; Edgar, 1.40, Jr., 1; Hansen, 5; Hastings, 12.40; Holdrege, 20; Lebanon, 4; Minden, C.E., 2.50; Nelson, 10, C.E., 15; Superior, 1, C.E., 6; Wilsonville, 4, 97.90

INDIANA.—Chestnut St., 74.72, Jr., 8.25; Olive St., 6.95; 1st Ave., 10; Ft. Branch, 4; Grace, 20.50; Cynthia, 3.50; Newburg, 4.63; Bloomfield, 7.70; Parke Mem'l, 4.70, C.E., 7; Farmersburg, 5; Walnut St., 7.70; Indiana, 10; Linton, 10.45; Lyons, 11.25; Mt. Vernon, C.E., 2; Oakland City, 3.25; Petersburg, 9.64; Princeton, 2; Broadway, 8.07, C.E., 2.50; Rockfort, 3.50; Royal Oak, 2; Terre Haute, Cen., 45.50; Vincennes, 1st, 13, C.E., 2.50; Vin., Bethany, 8.07; T. H., Wabash Ave., 8.90, C.E., 8; Upper Ind., 13; Washington, 12.75, C.E., 2; Wash., 1st, 2.05, C.E., 1, 428.38

IOWA.—Wapello, 5.00

IOWA CITY.—Muscatine, C.E., 7.50

KALAMAZOO.—Allegan, 23; Benton Harbor, 14, C.E., 10; Buchanan, 2.50; Decatur, 6; 1st, 6; Niles, 3.87; Plainwell, C.E., 5; Richland, 20; Three Rivers, 6, 96.37

KEARNEY.—Broken Bow, 7.75; Central City, 28.50, C.E., 6; Fullerton, 22; Gibbon, 3, C.E., 4; Grand Island, 17, C.E., 4; Kearney, 20; Lexington, 13.62; No. Platte, 25, C.E., 6; Shelton, 7, C.E., 2; St. Edwards, 15, C.E., 3; St. Paul, 3.50, C.E., 1; Wilson Mem'l, 4; Wood River, 8.40, 200.77

LAKE SUPERIOR.—Cahnet, C.E., 10; Iron Mt., 6; St. Ignace, 8; S. St. Marie, 10, 34.00

LANSING.—Albion, 50.45; Battle Creek, 12; Brooklyn, 13; Concord, 5.50; Homer, 19.50, C.E., 1; Jackson, 22.75, C.E., 7.50; 1st, 25; Franklin Ave., 3.50; Marshall, 7.40; Mason, 13; Morrice, 2; Oneida, 2.50; Stockbridge, 2.50, 187.60

LOGANSPORT.—Logansport, 4.40

MADISON.—Belleville, 5.00

MATTOON.—Arcola, 7.40; Assumption, 54, C.E., 18; Chrissman, 10; Charleston, 10; Kansas, 37; Mattoon, 15; Paris, 150; Pana, 7.80; Palestine, 20; Shelbyville, 16; Tower Hill, 2.50; Tuscola, 4; Toledo, 1.70; Vandalia, 7.50; Mrs. Pinterbaugh, 15, 375.90

MILWAUKEE.—Cedar Grove, 30; Beaver Dam, 1st, 2; Mantowoc, 13.50; Calvary, 28.90, C.E., 15.73; Grace, 2.94; Holland Bd., 7; Immanuel, 125, C.E., 10, Bd., 10; Westm'r,

3; Ottawa, 1st, 2; Racine, 1st, 40, C.E., 5, Bd., 5.67; Somers, 5; Waukesha, 1st, 20; Hattie J. McKinstry, 5, 330.74

MINNEAPOLIS.—Minneapolis, Westm'r, 430.00

MOUSE RIVER.—Epping, 1.25; Marmor, 5, 6.25

MUNCIE.—Alexandria, 3; Anderson, 10; Elmwood, 5.25; C.E., 2; Jonesboro, C.E., 2.50; Marion, 38; Muncie, 70; Peru, 16; Wabash, 26; Winchester, 18, 190.75

NEBRASKA CITY.—Auburn, 4.30; Alexandria, 2.40; Adams, 1.94; Beatrice, 40, C.E., 12.62; Chester, 4; Fall City, 3.60, C.E., 4; Fairbury, 5.20; Gresham, 2.80; Lincoln, 1st, 30.15, C.E., 4; 2d, 16; Westm'r, 4; Nebraska City, 4.25; York, 26.80; Plattsmouth, 4, 164.06

NIORARA.—Atkinson, 3.75; Emerson, 1.25; Hartington, 2.50; Laurel, 2.50; Niobrara, 60 cts.; O'Neill, 2; Pender, 7.50; Ponca, 8; Wakefield, 2.63; Wya.; 4.70; Winnebago, 6, 41.43

OMAHA.—Bancroft, 1, C.E., 2; Bellevue, 4.70; Colon, 8.40, C.E., 3; Craig, 11.40; Florence, 4.98; Lyons, 8.36, C.E., 5; Marietta, 12.80; Castellar St., 4; Clifton Hill, 5.08; Ch. of Covenant, 5.20; Dundee, 2.18, C.E., 4; 1st, 41.42, C.E., 22; Indiv. Giv., 25; Knox, 22.40, C.E., 4; Lowe Ave., 22.80, C.E., 12.50; 2d, 10.80; 3d, 2.40; Westm'r, 60.29, Bd., 2.80; Gleaners, 4.10; South, 10.40; Tekamah, 16, C.E., 1.70; Valley, 1.20; Waterloo, 3.30, C.E., 4; Bohemian, C.E., 1; Schuyler, C.E., 6, 356.21

PEMBINA.—Bathgate, 5, Bd., 2; Cavalier, 8; Crystal, 10; Drayton, 10; Forest River, 14.70; Grand Forks, 28; Hamah, 22.50; Langdon, 20; Minto, 5; Park River, 3; Rushford, 9; Pembina, 11.76, 148.96

PEORIA.—Astoria, 1; Canton, 34; Delavan, 6; Dunlap, 5, C.E., 2; Elmwood, 8, C.E., 5; Eureka, 25; Farmington, 20, C.E., 2; Galesburg, 29; Green Valley, 34, Bd., 10; Hanna City, 5, C.E., 3; Henry, 4; Ipava, 6, C.E., 6; Knoxville, 5; Forget-Me-Not Bd., 4; Lewistown, 42, C.E., 2; Oneida, 5; Peoria, 1st, 23, C.E., 6, Bd., 8; 2d, 44; Westm'r, 17; Arcadia, 2; Princeville, 9, C.E., 6; Toulon, 55, C.E., 6; Washington, 9, Bd., 1; Yates City, 28, C.E., 4; Grace, 9, 490.00

PETOSKEY.—Cadillac, 7.25; E. Jordan, 4; Greenwood, 1.25; Lake City, 18; McBain, 38; Petoskey, 9.25, Bd., 5; Traverse City, 15, 60.13

PUEBLO.—Canon City, 1st, 25, C.E., 10, Bd., 7; 2d, 12; Colorado Springs, 1st, 155; Las Animas, 2.50; La Junta, 1st, 13; Monte Vista, 1st, 15; Pueblo, 1st, 19.50, C.E., 15; El Bethel, 3; Mesa, Bd., 3.50; Rocky Ford, 1st, 8.75; Trinidad, 22.75; Victor, 13, 325.00

RUSHVILLE.—Brooklyn, C.E., 12; Camp Point, 3; Carthage, 12; Clayton, 2; Fountain Green, 10; Hamilton, 7, C.E., 1; Hersman, 20, C.E., 25; Macomb, 1st, 12; Camp Creek, 10; Monmouth, 31; Mt. Sterling, 30; Niota, Appanoose Ch., 50; Pontoosic, C.E., 2; Quincy, 3; Rushville, 6, 236.00

ST. CLOUD.—St. Cloud, 27.00

ST. PAUL.—Hastings, 14.50; St. Paul, Arlington Hills, C.E., 4; Dayton Ave., Bd., 25; Goodrich Ave., 4; Hamline, 5.35; House of Hope, 113.26; Mcalister, 12.50, Bd., 6.90; 9th, 1.25; Red Wing, 13.27; Stillwater, 4.36, Bd., 6.25; St. Croix Falls, 6.75; St. Paul Park, 2; So. St. Paul, 4; Westminster, 6.10; White Bear, 5.75, 235.24

STOUT CITY.—Alta, 3.42; Battle Creek, 2, C.E., 15; Cherokee, 25; Cleghorn, 6.32, C.E., 2.52; Denison, 4; Early, 2.54; Hawarden, 3; Ida Grove, 6.50, C.E., 5; Inwood, 10; Le Mars, 7, C.E., 10; Manilla, 8; Mt. Pleasant, 5.50; Meriden, 4.85; Morningside, 13.72, C.E., 17.50; Odebolt, 2.50, C.E., 2; Paulina, 3, C.E., 3.75; Sac City, 8.06, C.E., 10; Schaller, 15, C.E., 3; 1st, 13.19, C.E., 5; 2d, 15, C.E., 1.50, Bd., 6; 3d, 12.30, C.E., 3.75; Storm Lake, 14.87; Pilgrim, 13.31; Union Loop, 7; Val, C.E., 75, 291.58

SOUTH DAKOTA.—Bridgewater, 45, C.E., 1, Bd., 2; Canasota, 1; Parker, 14, C.E., 2, 65.00

SPRINGFIELD.—Athens, 21; Rates, 25; Buffalo Hart, 20; Decatur, 1st, 57.50, Bd., 7.50; Westm'r, 105; Diverson, 39.98; Farmingdale, 25; Greenview, 7; C.E., 15; Jacksonville, State St., 13.75; Westm'r, 7; Portuguese, 15; Lincoln, 86.50; Macon, 3; Mason City, 19; Mattoon, 3.90; North Fork, 5.95; Rock Creek, 1.20; Springfield, 1st, 35, Bd., 84; Sweetwater, 2; Taylorville, 25, Bd., 5; Virginia, 27.94; Williams-ville, 7; Woods Chapel, 2.30, 669.68

WATERLOO.—Cedar Falls, 27; Conrad, 5; Greene, 3.75; Grundy Center, 14.50; La Porte City, 13.15; Shellrock, Trinity, 4; State Center, 25; Toledo, 1st, 13; Westm'r, 10, 115.40

WHITEWATER.—Connersville, 7.50; College Corner, 12.57; C.E., 4.10, Jr. C.E., 4.56; Iarlsburg, 6; Knightsburg, 43.75, C.E., 3.29; Harmony, 5; Kingston, 23.30; Knightstown, 3.60; Liberty, 6; Mt. Carmel, 4.10, C.E., 1.75; New Castle, 10; Providence, 21.80; Richmond, 1st, 26.35; Rushville, 16; Shelbyville, 12.50, Bd., 2.50, 214.72

WINNEBAGO.—Appleton, 30; Florence, C.E., 5; Marinette, 15; Marshallfield, 2.50; Neenah, 45, C.E., 25; Oconto, 43; Omro, 1, C.E., 2; Oshkosh, 25, 193.50

WINONA.—Winona, C.E., 5.00

MISCELLANEOUS.—Oxford, O., Western College for Women, 50, 50.00

Total receipts for month, \$9,672.55
Total receipts since April 20, 40,272.42

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